

Town of Harwich

MASSACHUSETTS



1944 ANNUAL REPORTS

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS OF HARWICH
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1944



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TOWN OFFICERS — 1944

Selectmen, Overseers Public Welfare and Board of Health

Charles T. Chase	Term Expires February 1946
Charles D. Holmes	Term Expires February 1947
Howard C. Cahoon	Term Expires February 1945

Assessors

Charles T. Chase	Term Expires February 1946
Charles D. Holmes	Term Expires February 1947
Howard C. Cahoon	Term Expires February 1945

Town Clerk

Henry K. Bearse	Term Expires February 1945
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Town Treasurer

Henry K. Bearse	Term Expires February 1945
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Collector of Taxes

Leslie V. Nickerson	Term Expires February 1945
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Moderator

John H. Paine	Term Expires February 1945
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School Committee

J. Howard Doane	Term Expires February 1946
Wilbur H. Crowell	Term Expires February 1945
Norman Holmes	Term Expires February 1947

Surveyor of Highways

Alton P. Hall	Term Expires February 1945
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Constables

Emulous E. Hall	Term Expires February 1945
Horace F. Wixon	Term Expires February 1945
Isaiah Kelley	Term Expires February 1945

Finance Committee

Earl Dean	Term	Expires	February	1947
Arthur W. Tobey	Term	Expires	February	1945
Earle Sims	Term	Expires	February	1945
Earl Phillips	Term	Expires	February	1946
E. Gorham Nickerson	Term	Expires	February	1946
James Baldwin	Term	Expires	February	1947
Thomas Taylor	Term	Expires	February	1946
Walter Kelley	Term	Expires	February	1945
J. Burleigh Atkins	Term	Expires	February	1947

Trustees Broadbrooks Free Library

Hillary M. LeClaire	Term	Expires	February	1946
Mildred B. Paine	Term	Expires	February	1947
Charlotte P. Sims	Term	Expires	February	1945

Trustees Caleb Chase Fund

Theophilus B. Baker	Term	Expires	February	1945
Earl B. Eldredge	Term	Expires	February	1945
Joseph B. Atkins	Term	Expires	February	1945
John T. Wood	Term	Expires	February	1945
J. Freeman Kyler	Term	Expires	February	1945
Alonzo Nickerson	Term	Expires	February	1945
Earle L. Sims	Term	Expires	February	1945

Park Commissioners

William H. Nichols	Term	Expires	February	1945
Carroll F. Doane	Term	Expires	February	1946
Sheldon J. Thayer	Term	Expires	February	1947

Water Commissioners

Walter E. Cahoon	Term	Expires	February	1947
Lawrence F. Nickerson	Term	Expires	February	1946
Norman O. Nickerson	Term	Expires	February	1945

Cemetery Commissioners

Earl B. Eldredge, South Harwich	Term	Expires	1946
John Condon, Harwich Center	Term	Expires	1947
John T. Wood, West Harwich	Term	Expires	1945

Herring Committee

Clarence E. Greenwood	Term	Expires	February	1945
Robert H. Cahoon	Term	Expires	February	1945
James F. Kelley	Term	Expires	February	1945

Registrars of Voters

Walter W. Kelley Cleon S. Crowell Walter T. Gilmore

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Victor S. Ryder

Chief of Police

Town Accountant

Emulous E. Hall

Franklin D. Underwood

Fire Chief

Wire Inspector

George M. Moody

Bradford L. Barrett

Superintendent Moth Department

Lester R. Gray

Inspector of Animals

Inspector of Slaughtering

Charles H. Taylor

Charles H. Taylor

Surveyor of Wood and Lumber

Roswell H. Nye

Field Drivers and Fence Viewers

Horace F. Wixon

Isaiah Kelley

Emulous E. Hall

Welfare Agent

Olive L. Williams

Secretary to Selectmen and Assessors

Bernice E. Hilan

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Valuation of the Town Dec. 31, 1944	\$7,879,490.00
Valuation of the Town Dec. 31, 1943	7,779,660.00
Increase in Valuation	\$99,830.00
Valuation on land exclusive of buildings	\$2,009,360.00
Valuation of buildings exclusive of land	5,246,990.00
Total valuation of Land and Buildings	\$7,256,350.00
Valuation of Personal Estates:	
On stock and Trade	\$54,950.00
On Machinery	30,900.00
On Live Stock	22,060.00
On all other Tangible Property	515,230.00
Total Valuation on Personal Estates	\$623,140.00
Total Valuation of Real and Personal Estates	\$7,879,490.00
Tax on Personal Estates	\$10,593.38
Tax on Real Estate	12,335.795
Tax on Polls	1,512.00
Total Tax	\$135,453.33
Tax Rate \$17.00 Per Thousand	
Added Valuation in Dec. 1944 on Personal Estates	\$500.00
Added Valuation on Real Estate	22,840.00
Total added Valuation Dec. 1944	\$23,340.00
Tax on added Valuation Real Estate	388.28
Tax on added Valuation of Personal Estate	8.50
Total tax on added Valuations	\$396.78
Number of Horses Assessed	21
Number of Cows Assessed	43
Number of Yearlings Assessed	32
Number of Swine Assessed	57

Number of Bulls Assessed	1
Number of Sheep Assessed	3
Number of Goats Assessed	25
Number of Fowl Assessed	5010
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	7,215
Number of Dwellings Assessed	1,812

Recapitulation

Total appropriations as certified by Town Clerk	\$211,865.55
From Available Funds	15,000.00
Abatements in Excess of Overlays for 1939 and 1940	162.32
State Tax	\$13,915.00
State Parks and Reservations	187.40
State Audit	612.83
Cape Cod Mosquito Control	2,737.63
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County Tax	\$17,452.86
Assessments	19,887.88
Overlays	22,048.12
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Total appropriations	\$269,909.03

Estimated Receipts for 1944

Income Tax	\$20,127.73
Corporation Tax	10,342.76
Gasoline Tax	12,044.08
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	5,000.00
Licenses	2,000.00
Court Fines	50.00
Special Assessments	1,000.00
General Government	2,000.00
Health and Sanitation	500.00
Charities other than Federal Grants	4,000.00
Old Age Assistance	16,000.00
Old Age Revenue from Meal Tax	875.45
Schools	9,800.00
Libraries	1,000.00
Public Service Enterprise Town Water	13,000.00
Interest on Taxes	1,700.00
State Parks and Reservations Refund	5.68

From Available Funds to Reduce the Tax Rate	20,000.00
Purchase of Bond	15,000.00
Total Estimated Receipts	\$134,445.70
Net Amount raised by Taxation	\$135,445.70
Tax on 756 Polls @ \$2.00	\$1,512.00
Tax on Personal Estates	10,593.38
Tax on Real Estate	123,357.95
	\$135,463.33
Moth Tax	\$1,065.20

CHARLES T. CHASE,
CHARLES D. HOLMES,
HOWARD C. CAHOON,
Assessors of Harwich.

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

	Selectmen's Salaries	
Payments	\$2,200.00 Appropriation	\$2,200.00
	Selectmen's Expense	
Payments	\$218.65 Appropriation	\$250.00
Bal. to Revenue	31.35	
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	\$250.00	\$250.00
	Selectmen's and Assessors' Clerk	
Salary	\$936.00 Appropriation	\$936.00
	Assessors' Salaries	
Payments	\$1,500.00 Appropriation	\$1,500.00
	Assessors' Expense	
Payments	\$392.88 Appropriation	\$400.00
Bal. to Revenue	7.12	
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	\$400.00	\$400.00
	Assessors' Maps	
Payments	\$639.16 Appropriation	\$700.00
Bal. to Revenue	60.84	
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	\$700.00	\$700.00
	Accountant's Salary	
Payments	\$1,100.00 Appropriation	\$1,100.00
	Accountant's Expense	
Payments	\$69.87 Appropriation	\$75.00
Bal to Revenue	5.13	
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	\$75.00	\$75.00
	Treasurer's Salary	
Payments	\$700.00 Appropriation	\$700.00
	Treasurer's Expense	
Payments	\$222.40 Appropriation	\$250.00
Bal. to Revenue	27.60	
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	\$250.00	\$250.00
	Treasurer's Bond	
Payments	\$109.00 Appropriation	\$109.00

Tax Collector's Salary		
Payment	\$1.30	Bal due for 1943
\$1.30		
Tax Collector's Salary		
Paid T. R. Eldredge	\$412.50	Appropriation
Paid L. V. Nickerson	1,237.50	
Returned to Revenue	150.00	
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	\$1,800.00	
\$1,800.00		
Tax Collector's Bonds		
Payments	\$201.74	Appropriation
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	40.49	From Reserve Fund
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	\$201.74	
\$201.74		
Tax Collector's Expense		
Payments	\$396.50	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	3.50	
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	\$400.00	
\$400.00		
Town Clerk's Salary		
Payments	\$500.00	Appropriation
Town Clerk's Bond		
Payment	\$5.00	Appropriation
Town Clerk's Expense		
Payments	\$63.91	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	36.09	
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	\$100.00	
\$100.00		
Moderator		
Payments	\$25.00	Appropriation
Election and Registration		
Payments	\$1,195.72	Appropriation
		Trans from Reserve
		Fund
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	\$1,195.72	
\$1,195.72		
Law		
Payments	\$200.00	Appropriation
Miscellaneous		
Payments	\$172.11	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	27.89	
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	\$200.00	
\$200.00		

Office Equipment

Payments	\$84.71	Appropriation	\$100.00
Bal. to Revenue	15.29		
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	\$100.00		\$100.00

Repairs of Public Buildings

Payments	\$237.43	Appropriation	\$800.00
Bal. to Revenue	562.57		
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	\$800.00		\$800.00

Renovating Town Offices

Payments	\$772.25	Appropriation	\$1,000.00
Bal. to Revenue	227.75		
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	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00

Foreclosures of Tax Titles

Payments	\$29.56	Appropriation	\$300.00
Bal. to Revenue	270.44		
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	\$300.00		\$300.00

Exchange Building

Janitor Service	\$600.00	Appropriation	\$2,200.00
Fuel	708.16		
Lights	99.29		
Telephone	189.66		
Water	75.50		
Repairs and Supplies	260.38		
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	\$1,932.99		
Bal. to Revenue	267.01		
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	\$2,200.00		\$2,200.00

Water Department

Payments	\$9,008.83	Appropriation	\$7,500.00
		From Reserve Fund	1,500.00
Bal to Revenue	.02	Refunds	8.85
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	\$9,008.85		\$9,008.85

Water Tank — Painting Account

Payments	\$1,496.83	Appropriation	\$1,500.00
Bal. to Revenue	3.17		
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	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00

Water — Emergency Extension

Payments	\$90.21	Bal from 1943	\$1,430.57
Forward to 1945	1,340.36		
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	\$1,430.57		\$1,430.57

Water — National Defense

Forward to 1945	\$400.00	Bal. from 1943	\$400.00
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Fire Department

Chief	\$875.00	Appropriation	\$3,700.00
Keepers	1,233.33	From Reserve Fund	391.90
Other wages	690.90		
Fuel	232.66		
Lights	51.40		
Telephone	87.05		
Water	25.50		
Apparatus, gas & repairs	896.06		
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	\$4,091.90		\$4,091.90

Police Department

Salary and wages	\$6,240.04	Appropriation	\$7,000.00
Fuel and light	180.00	Refunds	67.89
Telephone	57.51	From Reserve Fund	192.94
Water	25.00		
Gas, equipment & repairs	758.28		
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	\$7,260.83		\$7,260.83

Moth Department

Supt., trucking & labor	\$2,305.60	Appropriation	\$3,500.00
Supplies and material	1,185.35		
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	3,490.95		
Bal. to Revenue	9.05		
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	\$3,500.00		\$3,500.00

Tree Warden

Payments	\$220.20	Appropriation	\$50.00
Bal. to Revenue	.40	From Reserve Fund	170.60
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	\$220.60		\$220.60

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Paid salary	\$500.00	Appropriation	\$500.00
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Plumbing Inspector

Paid Salary	\$500.00	Appropriation	\$500.00
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Civilian Defense

Payments	\$411.28	Appropriation	\$500.00
Bal. to Revenue	88.72		
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	\$500.00		\$500.00

Rationing Board		
Payments	\$638.33	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	111.67	
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	\$750.00	\$750.00
State Guard		
Payments	\$123.26	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	76.74	
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	\$200.00	\$200.00
Wire Inspector		
Payment	\$200.00	Appropriation
Board of Health		
Payments	\$940.10	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	1,059.90	
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	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Town Dump		
Payments	\$1,064.93	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	35.07	
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	\$1,100.00	\$1,100.00
Visiting Nurse Association		
Payments	\$1,600.00	Appropriation
Shell Fish Wardens		
Payments	\$100.00	Appropriation
Inspector of Slaughtering		
Payment	\$50.00	Appropriation
Inspector of Animals		
Payment	\$50.00	Appropriation
Cleaning Beaches — Docks and Floats		
Payments	\$404.00	Appropriation
	Refund	\$4.00
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	\$404.00	\$404.00
Highway Dept. — General Repairs		
Labor	\$5,463.43	Appropriation
Material and equipment	\$4,036.57	
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	\$9,500.00	\$9,500.00
Highway Surveyor		
Salary	\$1,300.00	Appropriation
		\$1,300.00

Hurricane Damage			
Payments	\$9,999.10	Transferred from	
Bal. to Revenue	.90	Surplus Funds	\$10,000.00
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	\$10,000.00		\$10,000.00
Bridges			
Return to Revenue	\$200.00	Appropriation	\$200.00
Fences and Railings			
Payments	\$82.04	Appropriation	\$300.00
Bal. to Revenue	217.96		
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	\$300.00		\$300.00
Park Commission			
Payments	\$588.49	Appropriation	\$600.00
Bal. to Revenue	11.51		
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	\$600.00		\$600.00
Electric Contract			
Payments	\$6,868.95	Appropriation	\$7,758.80
Bal. to Revenue	889.85		
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	\$7,758.80		\$7,758.80
Traffic Lights			
Payments	\$80.00	Appropriation	\$100.00
Bal. to Revenue	20.00		
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	\$100.00		\$100.00
Dredging Wychmere Harbor			
Forward to 1945	\$5,000.00	Bal from 1943	\$5,000.00
Bound Stones			
Payments	\$41.75	Bal. from 1943	\$194.00
Bal to 1945	152.25		
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	\$194.00		\$194.00
Herring Flume			
Returned to Rev.	\$100.00	Appropriation	\$100.00
Bank St. Bathing Beach Raft			
Payments	\$48.00	Appropriation	\$250.00
Bal. to 1945	202.00		
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	\$250.00		\$250.00
Beach Erosion			
Forward to 1945	\$1,500.00	Appropriation	\$1,500.00

Shore Road Hardening		
Payments	\$244.53	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	55.47	
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	\$300.00	
		\$300.00
Riprapping LeBuff Shore		
Forward to 1945	\$500.00	Appropriation
		\$500.00
West Harwich Sidewalk		
Payments	\$251.10	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	48.90	
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	\$300.00	
		\$300.00
Quason Lane Landing Steps		
Payments	\$78.20	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	21.80	
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	\$100.00	
		\$100.00
Snow		
Payments	\$2,187.45	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	812.55	
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	\$3,000.00	
		\$3,000.00
Outside Poor		
Payments	\$2,852.36	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	1,528.08	C. Chase Fund int.
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	\$4,380.44	
		\$4,380.44
Welfare Agent		
Salary uaid	\$780.00	Appropriation
		\$780.00
Welfare Agent's Expense		
Payments	\$91.05	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	8.95	
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	\$100.00	
		\$100.00
Poor of Other Cities and Towns		
Payments	\$90.50	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	409.50	
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	\$500.00	
		\$500.00
State Poor		
Payments	\$1,475.39	Appropriation
Bal. to Revenue	1,524.61	
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	\$3,000.00	
		\$3,000.00

Soldier's Relief			
Payments	\$946.75	Appropriation	\$1,200.00
Bal. to Revenue	253.25		
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	\$1,200.00		\$1,200.00
State Aid			
Payments	\$120.00	Appropriation	\$120.00
Military Aid			
Payments	\$450.00	Appropriation	\$580.00
Bal. to Revenue	130.00		
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	\$580.00		\$580.00
Old Age Assistance			
Payments	\$27,980.20	Appropriation	\$28,000.00
Bal. to Revenue	19.80		
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	\$28,000.00		\$28,000.00
Old Age Assistance — Federal Grant			
Payments	\$18,796.74	Bal. from 1943	\$604.28
Bal to 1945	562.68	Rec. from State	18,755.14
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	\$19,359.42		\$19,359.42
Administration			
Payments	\$582.87	Bal. from 1943	\$928.30
Bal. to 1945	987.29	Rec. from State	641.86
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	\$1,570.16		\$1,570.16
Dependent Children's Aid			
Payments	\$4,876.86	Appropriation	\$4,800.00
Bal. to Revenue	423.14	Trans. from Surplus	500.00
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	\$5,300.00		\$5,300.00
Dependent Children's Aid — Federal Grant			
Payments	\$2,682.95	Bal. from 1943	\$507.71
Bal. to 1945	129.92	Rec. from State	2,305.16
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	\$2,812.87		\$2,812.87
Dependent Children's Aid — Federal Grant			
Administration			
Payments	\$73.86	Bal from 1943	\$87.91
Bal. to 1945	49.87	Rec. from State	35.82
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	\$123.73		\$123.73

Infirmary

Payments	\$2,448.45	Appropriation	\$3,000.00
Bal. to Revenue	551.55		
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	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00

Free Bed

Cape Cod Hospital			
Open Accont	\$179.90	Appropriation	\$1,000.00

Schools

Payments	\$63,990.09	Appropriation	\$63,803.00
Bal to Revenue	83.78	From Teachers' Retirement Fund	254.25
		Refunds	16.62
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	\$64,073.87		\$64,073.87

Schools — Special Repair Account

Payments	\$1,382.00	Bal from 1943	1,625.39
Bal. to 1945	243.39		
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	\$1,625.39		\$1,625.39

Brooks Free Library

Payments	\$1,619.21	Appropriation	\$1,150.00
Bal. to Revenue	.48	Dog Licenses	469.69
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	\$1,619.69		\$1,619.69

Harwichport Library

Payments	\$600.00	Appropriation	\$600.00
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Chase Library

Payments	\$450.00	Appropriation	\$450.00
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Insurance

Payments	\$1,673.45	Appropriation	\$2,000.00
Bal. to Revenue	326.55		
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	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00

Advertising

Payments	\$66.97	Appropriation	\$100.00
Bal. to Revenue	33.03		
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	\$100.00		\$100.00

American Legion

Payments	\$54.45	Appropriation	\$150.00
Bal. to Revenue	95.55		
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	\$150.00		\$150.00

Cemetery Commission			
Payments	\$509.54	Appropriation Trans. from Reserve Refund	\$500.00 8.35 1.19
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	\$509.54		\$509.54
Stocking Ponds			
Payments	49.45	Appropriation	\$50.00
Bal. to Revenue	.55		
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	\$50.00		\$50.00
Herring Committee			
Payments	\$150.00	Appropriation	\$150.00
Planting Shell Fish			
Open Account		Forward from 1943	\$200.00
Zoning Committee			
Open Account		Forward from 1943	\$200.00
Town Reports			
Payments	\$600.00	Appropriation	\$600.00
Care of Cemetery Lots			
Payments	\$240.80	Bal from 1943	\$9.90
Bal. to 1945 a/c	10.00	Refund	.10
		Int. received	240.80
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	\$250.80		\$250.80
Cemetery Bequests			
Dep. in Cape Cod 5c Sav. Bank	\$1,700.00	Bequests	\$1,700.00
Dog Licenses			
Paid County	\$565.80	Rec. from Town Clerk	\$565.80
Brooks Medal			
Paid for medals	\$39.14	Rec. interest	\$39.14
County Tax			
Paid County	\$19,887.88	Assessed	\$19,887.88
State Tax			
Paid State	\$17,413.80	Bal. from 1943 Assessed Deficit	\$5.68 13,915.00 3,493.12
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	\$17,413.80		\$17,413.80
Federal Withholding Tax			
Paid Collector of Internal Revenue	\$3,076.56	Open account Taxes withheld	\$4,159.02

Unidentified Receipts

Open account	\$194.11	Receipts	\$461.77
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Water Liens

Feb. Jan. 1, 1944	\$44.50	Receipts	\$44.50
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Old East Harwich Cemetery Fund

Dep in C. C. 5c		Received	\$116.84
Sav. Bank	\$116.84		

U. S. Government Bonds

Paid	\$15,000.00	Trans. from Surplus	\$15,000.00
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Certifying Town Notes

Returned to Rev.	\$10.00	Appropriated	\$10.00
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Interest on Revenue Loans

Returned to Rev.	\$20.00	Appropriated	\$20.00
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Retirement of Water Bonds

Cape Cod Trust Co	\$7,000.00	Appropriated	\$7,000.00
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Water Extension Note

Cape Cod Trust Co.	\$1,000.00	Appropriated	\$1,000.00
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Retirement of Schoolhouse Bonds

Cape Cod Trust Co.	\$7,000	Appropriated	\$7,000.00
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Interest on Water Bonds

Cape Cod Trust Co.	\$1,750.00	Appropriated	1,750.00
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Interest on Water Extension Note

Cape Cod Trust Co.	\$41.00	Appropriated	\$40.00
		Refund	1.00

\$41.00

\$41.00

Interest on Schoolhouse Bonds

Cape Cod Trust Co.	\$892.50	Appropriation	\$892.50
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Reserve Fund

Transferred to:		Appropriation	\$2,500.00
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Collector's Bond	\$40.49
Water Dept.	1,500.00
Election and Reg.	195.72
Tree Warden	170.60
Fire Dept.	391.90
Police Dept.	192.94
Cemetery Commission	8.35

\$2,500.00

\$2,500.00

Refunds

Excise Taxes	\$6.43
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Tax Title	.51
Real Est. Taxes	62.98
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	\$69.92

Tax Title Account

Tax titles outstanding	\$1,711.84	Redeemed Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1944	\$963.87
Jan. 1, 1944			
Added to account in			
1944	270.20		1,018.17
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	\$1,982.04		\$1,982.04

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN D. UNDERWOOD,
Accountant.

RECEIPTS AND BALANCES

Balance on hand Januuary 1, 1944	\$113,662.78
Receipts:	
Real and Personal Taxes	141,394.56
Poll Taxes	1,264.50
Excise Taxes	3,914.87
Moth Taxes	1,116.65
Tax Titles Redeemed	963.87
Sale of Land of Low Value	18.75
Dog Licenses from County	469.69
Dog Licenses Collected	565.80
Sale of Herring Rights	400.60
Licenses	2,077.50
Fees	150.55
Court House Rent	1,000.00
Court Fines	130.00
Library Fines	8.22
Withholding Tax	4,159.02
Exchange Rent	615.00
Town Water Service	16,207.74
Water Liens	44.50
Police Dept.—Miscellaneous Receipts	36.25
From State: Old Age Assistance	18,903.11
Dependent Aid	2,642.00
Welfare	2,332.96
Support of Indigent Persons	12.00
Old Age—Federal Grant	18,755.14
Old Age Adm.—Federal Grant	641.86
Dependent Aid—Federal Grant	2,305.16
Dependent Aid Adm.—Federal Grant	35.82
State Aid	120.00
Military Aid	90.00
War Allowance	200.00
Income Tax	22,823.70
Corporation Tax	14,789.22
Highway Fund	12,044.08
Meal Tax	1,604.42
Cemetery Bequests	1,700.00
East Harwich Cemetery Fund	116.84
Interest: Cemetery Funds	240.80
Caleb Chase Fund	380.44
Brooks Medal Fund	39.14
Taxes	690.26
U. S. Government Bonds	187.50
Unidentified Cash	461.77
Cities and Towns: Welfare	55.65
Old Age Assistance	637.74
Individual Estates: Welfare	40.50
Old Age Assistance	120.00
Schools: English Speaking Classes	694.00
Tuition	710.62
From other towns for use of telephone	124.84

Teachers' Retirement Fund	254.25
High School Cafeteria	3,741.13
Elementary School Cafeteria	4,694.83
Rent of Auditorium	20.00
Miscellaneous	22.25
Miscellaneous Receipts	204.65
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	\$400,637.53
Total Expenditures for 1944	290,631.83
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Balance on hand December 31, 1944	\$110,005.70

ACCOUNTANT'S BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash	\$110,005.70
U. S. Government Bond	15,000.00
Accounts Receivable:	
Levy of 1944—Personal Taxes	\$433.48
Real Estate Taxes	9,990.41
	10,423.89
Motor Vehicle Taxes	105.38
Moth Taxes	52.24
Tax Titles	1,018.17
Tax Possessions	107.57
	1,125.74
Water Department	1,373.59
Departmental:	
Public Welfare	331.92
Old Age Assistance	417.95
State and Military Aid	570.00
	1,319.87
Under Estimate—1944 State Tax	3,493.12
	\$142,899.74

Liabilities

Federal Grants:	
Old Age Assistance	\$562.68
Old Age Assistance Adm.	987.29
Aid Dependent Children	129.92
Aid Dependent Children Adm.	49.87
	\$1,729.76
Unexpended Balances	
Water Emergency Extension	\$1,340.36
Water—National Defense	400.00
School Repair Account	243.39

Bound Stones	152.25
Dredging Wychmere Harbor	5,000.00
Bank St. Bathing Beach Raft	202.00
Beach Erosion	1,500.00
Riprapping LeBuff Shore	500.00
Free Bed—Cape Cod Hospital	820.10
Planting Shell Fish	200.00
Zoning Committee	200.00
Care of Cemetery Lots	10.00
Federal Withholding Tax	1,079.46
Unidentified Receipts	267.66
	11,915.22
Overlay Reserved for Abatement of Taxes—Levy of 1944	2,237.49
Overlay Surplus	4,303.86
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	105.38
Moth Tax	52.54
Tax Titles	1,018.17
Water Department	1,373.59
Departmental	1,319.87
	3,869.46
	24,055.79
Surplus Revenue	118,843.95
	\$142,889.74

DEBT ACCOUNT

Assets	
Net Funded or Fixed Debt	\$130,000.00
Liabilities	
School House Bonds	44,000.00
Water Bonds	84,000.00
Water Extension Notes	2,000.00
	\$130,000.00

SUMMARY OF WELFARE EXPENSES

Payments

Outside Relief	\$2,852.36	From State
Poor of Other Cities and Towns	90.50	Welfare Account
State Poor	1,475.39	State Aid
Old Age Assistance	27,980.20	Old Age Assistance
Dependent Children's Aid	4,876.86	Dependent Children's Aid
Soldiers' Relief	946.75	War Allowance
State and Military Aid	570.00	Military Aid
Infirmary	2,448.45	Support of Indigent Persons
Free Bed — Cape Cod Hospital	179.90	Old Age — Federal Grant
Board of Health	940.10	Old Age Adm. — Federal Grant
Dependent Aid — Federal Grant	2,682.95	Dependent Aid — Federal Grant
Dependent Aid Adm. — Federal Grant	73.86	Dependent Aid Adm. — Federal Grant
Old Age — Federal Grant	18,796.74	Meal Tax
Old Age Adm. — Federal Grant	582.27	From Cities and Towns — Welfare
Welfare Agent — Salary	780.00	From Cities and Towns — Old Age
Welfare Agent — Expenses	91.05	Caleb Chase Fund — Interest
		Reimbursement from estates

Receipts

\$2,332.96	
120.00	
18,903.11	
2,642.00	
200.00	
90.00	
12.00	
18,755.14	
641.86	
2,305.16	
35.82	
1,604.42	
55.65	
637.74	
380.44	
160.50	
\$48,876.80	
16,490.58	
\$65,367.38	

COLLECTOR OF TAXES REPORT FOR 1944

Personal Property Taxes—1942

Outstanding January 1, 1944	\$136.00
Collected by T. R. Eldredge	\$32.60
Outstanding April 18, 1944	103.40
Collected by L. V. Nicerson	77.40
Abatements	26.00
	103.40

Personal Property Taxes—1943

Outstanding December 30, 1944	433.48
Collected by T. R. Eldredge	170.13
Outstanding April 18, 1944	606.53
Collected by L. V. Nickerson	565.49
Abatements	41.04
	606.53

Personal Property Taxes—1944

Commitments as per Warrants	10,601.88
Collected by L. V. Nickerson	10,007.75
Abatements	160.65
Outstanding December 30, 1944	433.48
	10,601.88

REAL ESTATE TAXES—1942

Outstanding January 1, 1944	2,793.68
Collected by T. R. Eldredge	610.20
Outstanding April 18, 1944	2,183.48
Refund for overpayment	1.00
	2,184.48
Collected by L. V. Nickerson	2,065.93
Abatements	104.55
Added to Tax Titles	14.00
	2,184.48

REAL ESTATE TAXES—1943

Outstanding January 1, 1944	15,187.33
Collected by T. R. Eldredge	2,199.15
Outstanding April 18, 1944	12,988.18

Collected by L. V. Nickerson	12,598.76
Abatements	313.82
Added to Tax Titles	75.60
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	12,988.18

REAL ESTATE TAXES—1944

Commitments as per Warrants	123,746.23
Overpayment refunds	60.01
	—————
	123,806.24
Collected by L. V. Nickerson	113,066.47
Abatements	600.10
Added to Tax Titles	149.26
Outstanding December 30, 1944	9,990.41
	—————
	123,806.24

WATER LIEN—1943

Outstanding January 1, 1944	44.50
Collected by L. V. Nickerson	44.50
	—————
	44.50

POLL TAXES—1942

Outstanding January 1, 1944	8.00
Collected by L. V. Nickerson	8.00
	—————
	8.00

POLL TAXES—1943

Outstanding January 1, 1944	98.00
Collected by T. R. Ellredge	8.00
Outstanding April 18, 1944	90.00
Collected by L. V. Nickerson	58.00
Abatements	32.00
	—————
	90.00

POLL TAXES—1944

Commitment as per Warrant	1,512.00
Collected by L. V. Nickerson	1,182.00
Abatements	330.00
	—————
	1,512.00

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1942

Outstanding January 1, 1944	6.00
Collected by L. V. Nickerson	6.00
	—————
	6.00

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1943

Outstanding January 1, 1944	139.57
Additional Commitment to April 18, 1944	6.00
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	145.57
Collected by T. R. Eldredge	58.15
Abatements to April 18, 1944	5.18
Outstanding April 18, 1944	82.24
Collected by L. V. Nickerson	50.81
Abatements	31.43
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	82.24

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES—1944

Commitment January 1 to April 18, 1944 per Warrant	517.38
Cash balance April 18, 1944	209.87
Outstanding April 18, 1944 per list	307.51
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Commitments as per Warrants	3,734.38
Refunds after payment	6.43
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	3,740.81
Collected by L. V. Nickerson	3,590.04
Abatements	45.39
Outstanding December 30, 1944	105.38
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	3,740.81

MOTH ASSESSMENT—1942

Outstanding January 1, 1944	19.95
Collected by T. R. Eldredge	2.10
Outstanding April 18, 1944	17.85
Collected by L. V. Nickerson	16.85
Abatements	1.00
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	17.85

MOTH ASSESSMENT—1943

Outstanding January 1, 1944	98.50
Collected by T. R. Eldredge	19.30
Outstanding April 18, 1944	79.20
Collected by L. V. Nickerson	73.05
Abatements	6.15
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	79.20

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MOTH ASSESSMENT—1944

Commitment as per Warrant	1,065.20
Collected by L. V. Nickerson	1,010.20
Abatements	2.55
Outstanding December 30, 1944	52.45
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	1,065.20

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE V. NICKERSON,
Collector of Taxes.

ANNUAL REPORT — 1944 HARWICH WATER DEPT.

To the Citizens of the Town of Harwich:

We submit herewith for your approval, the Eighth Annual Report of the Harwich Water Department for the year ending December 31, 1944.

Administration

Mr. Walter E. Cahoon was re-elected to the Board of Water Commissioners for a term of three years at the annual election in February. On February 19th the Board organized as follows: Walter E. Cahoon, Chairman; Norman O. Nickerson, Secretary; and Lawrence F. Nickerson.

The Department has enjoyed a most successful year and the records show substantial growth. Receipts reached a new high of \$16,207.74. This exceeds our operating expenses by \$7,198.91. Operating expenses increased slightly and can be expected to do so as the Department expands.

The number of accounts using water increased to 532, an increase of 79 for the year.

Late in the year the Board voted to discontinue all meter rental charges effective as of December 31, 1944. This has the effect of a slight lowering of the annual charge. The receipts for the year were such that it seemed warranted at this time.

The War Production Board lifted many of the restrictions on construction, however materials containing critical metals such as brass are difficult to obtain and delivery is slow. This condition will no doubt continue for some time.

Maintenance

All equipment and property have been maintained in a good state of repair. It was necessary, however, to defer much of the usual work performed under this heading due to the unusually large number of new services installed. All hydrants have been inspected and maintained in good working order.

Fortunately, there was no major damage to the system from the hurricane in September. Some house services were

damaged and a short section of main exposed on the beach front.

The erosion of the beach between Pilgrim Road and Ayer Lane gives us much concern. A main in this area has lost much of the original cover and if this action continues it will no doubt be necessary to relocate several hundred feet of pipe.

Services

The Department enjoyed an unusual amount of activity under this heading. A total of 66 new services were installed. This is the largest number of new installations in any one year to date, and represents an increase of 12% in the total number of services.

Pumping Station

All equipment was maintained in good condition and repaired and overhauled where necessary.

The total gallons pumped showed a decided increase over any previous year. This was due in part to the increased number of takers, but more especially to the deficiency of rainfall during the summer months.

Elevated Tank

The contract for the cleaning and painting of the elevated tank was awarded to the Emmons Co. of Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts, who was the lowest qualified bidder. The work was performed in a very satisfactory manner and a bond posted for the maintenance of same. Although the hurricane had no visible effect on the tank structure, the paint film was damaged as were many painted structures in the effected areas.

The defective wiring to the beacon light has been repaired, but it is recommended that it be completely re-wired with weatherproof materials when they are again available.

Emergency Extensions

Three short extensions of 1", 1½" and 2" pipe were made during the year to accommodate new takers. In all cases the revenue was far in excess of the 6% required.

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Following is a brief summary of engineering and financial data.

Service Connections

Taking water Dec. 31, 1944	287
Seasonal takers shut off	245
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Total services used during year	532
Services not used during year	69
	—
Total service connections	601

New Service Installations

	3/4 "	1 "	Total
New services installed	32	34	66
Length in feet	1559'	3108'	4667'
Average length per service	49'	91'	71'
Average charge per service			\$38.55
Cost to Department per foot			\$.49

1944 Main Line Construction

	Size and kind of pipe	Length	Total Cost	Cost per Foot
Union St.	2" C.L.	55'	\$47.48	\$.86
Forest St.	1" C.L.	170'	45.32	.41
Orleans Rd.	1 1/2" C.L.	130'	62.86	.48
		—	—	—
		355'	\$155.66	

Miles Of Mains By Sizes

	10"	8"	6"	2"	1 1/2"	TOTAL	Miles
1943 Total	5.7	6.15	6.51	1.34	.12	19.82	
1944 Added	none	none	none	.01	.02	.03	"
TOTAL	5.7	6.15	6.51	1.35	.14	19.85	Miles

Hydrants (none added 1944)	120
Sprinkler System (none added 1944)	2

Water Consumption

	Gallons'		Gallons
January	1,119,354	July	6,582.032
February	1,102,308	August	6,875.220
March	1,232,994	September	3,608.070
April	1,619,370	October	2,051.202
May	2,789,862	November	1,352.316
June	3,737,756	December	1,357.998

Total Gallons Pumped 33,428,482

Pumped to metered ratio	85%
Average daily consumption	91,585 Gals.
Largest monthly consumption — August —	6,875,220 Gals.
Largest weekly consumption — ending Aug. 19th	1,727,328 Gals.
Largest daily consumption — August 16th —	323,874 Gals.
Hours of operation — Diesel —	1,263 hrs. 10 min.
Hours of operation — Gasoline	14 hrs. 20 min.
1943 Total	5.7 6.15 6.15 1.34 .12 19.82 Miles
Total hours of operation	1,277 hrs. 30 min.

Summary Of Accounts Ending Dec. 31, 1944

Receipts

Minimum Charges	\$11,177.06
Excess Water	2,090.86
Meter Rentals	614.51
Service Connections	2,317.11
Meter Repairs	1.70
Miscellaneous	6.50
 TOTAL COLLECTIONS 1944	 \$16,207.74
Rebills to Town Tax	\$16,207.74

Commitments

Commitments		
1941 Commitments Outstanding Jan. 1, 1944		\$5.97
Abatement		5.97
		—
1941 Balance Outstanding Dec. 31, 1944		None
1942 Commitments Outstanding Jan. 1, 1944	25.00	
Abatement	25.00	
		—
1942 Balance Outstanding Dec. 31, 1944		None
1943 Commitments Outstanding Jan 1, 1944	422.38	
Collections	422.38	
		—
1943 Balance Outstanding Dec. 31, 1944		None
1944 Commitments	17,162.95	
Less Abatements	4.00	
		—
	17,158.95	
Collections	15,785.36	
		—
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1944 Balance Outstanding Dec. 31, 1944		\$1,373

DEC. 31, 1944

Expenditures			
Payments	\$9,008.83	Appropriation	\$7,500.00
Balance	.02	Transferred from	
		Reserve Fund	1,500.00
		Refunds	8.85
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	\$9,008.85		\$9,008.85

Classification of Expenditures

Administration	\$3,650.27
General	2,580.37
Pumping Station	731.17
Service Installations	2,047.02
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	\$9,008.83

SPECIAL ACCOUNT

Emergency Extensions (Open Account)

Payments	\$90.21	1943 Balance	\$1,430.57
Balance	1,340.36		
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	\$1,430.57		\$1,430.57

National Defense Program (Open Account)

Payments	None	Appropriation	\$400.00
Balance	\$400.00		
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	\$400.00		\$400.00

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER E. CAHOON,
LAWRENCE F. NICKERSON,
NORMAN O. NICKERSON,
Board of Water Commissioners.

JOHN W. HUGHES,
Superintendent and Collector.

REPORT OF HARWICH RATIONING BOARD NO. 153

To the Citizens of the Town of Harwich:—

Your Ration Board takes this opportunity to express its appreciation to the patriotic citizens of the Town who have cooperated so cheerfully with the 1944 OPA regulations.

Expenditures for 1944

Appropriation		\$750.00
Petty Cash	\$20.00	
Miscellaneous (Office Supplies)	30.03	
Cape and Vineyard	36.48	
Printing	111.50	
Express	18.55	
Telephone	98.92	
Fuel	102.85	
Janitor	220.00	
Total Expenses	—	638.33
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1944	—	\$111.67

Every effort has been made to accord each applicant all possible consideration and so far as Regulations have permitted all have been extended justice and equality in rationing the various commodities. The saving of essential war materials by the cheerful cooperation of the public has placed Harwich on the nation's Honor Roll and it has been a service all Panels have been glad to render to our Nation at war.

Respectfully submitted,

MARSHALL SIEBENMANN,
Chairman.

MILEAGE PANEL: ROBERT W. CHASE, Chairman.
MARSHALL SIEBENMANN

FOOD PANEL: WALLACE WALES

FUEL PANEL: MRS. THERESA ATKINS, Chairman
MRS. HELEN DRAKE

FRED PEASE

WICKHAM AMES

PRICE CONTROL: EARLE W. PHILLIPS

REPORT OF PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

To The Honorable Board Of Selectmen;

I herewith submit my report for the year 1944 on the activities of the Department of Public Safety for Civilian Defense.

This past year has brought many changes in Coastal security measures. Dimout regulations have been suspended and most of the waterfront restrictions have been altered or revoked. These all indicate clearly that the progress of the war has been favorable, and that enemy danger in the coastal area has been nearly completely removed.

The wild din of horns, bells and whistles has not shattered the peace and quiet of this town in the past year to herald a practise air-raid or blackout drill, as none have been held, and in my opinion there has been no need for them.

The report Center has been maintained ready for use, together with the alarm system, and we have expended money for telephones and Report center only. No equipment has been purchased, and none is needed under present conditions.

During and after the Hurricane of September last, Wardens made themselves useful and assisted the Police. A fire watch was posted in Harwichport, where many dry pine trees were blown down, householders were cautioned of the fire hazard, and the men patrolled for several days after the storm.

I feel that the Report Center and alarm system should be maintained until Military authorities advise they are no longer needed. I have asked for no appropriation for 1945, as I am of the opinion that any petty cash payments that may have to be made can be taken care of out of "Selectmen's miscellaneous account".

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY F. SMITH.

REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To :

The Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Harwich, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen :

I herewith respectfully submit my eleventh annual report as Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Town of Harwich for the year ending December 31, 1944.

Tested	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Scales	33	80	5	4
Volumetric Measures		59	2	3
Automatic Liquid Measuring Devices	9	94	53	1
Linear Measures		5		
Weights	4	124	11	
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Total	46	362	71	8
Money received from Sealing Fees				\$51.20
Money received for Adjusting Charges				1.35
Money received for Transient Vendor's Local License Fees				30.00
				—
Total				\$82.55
Paid Town Treasurer				\$82.55
Money returned to Treasurer by State Director of Standards for Pedlar's License Fees				16.00
Paid Director of Standards for Transient Vendor's License				50.00
				—
Total				\$148.55
Inspections made of Pedlar's Licenses				3
Inspections made of Transient Vendor's Licenses				2
Other Inspections				168

Trial Weighings and Measurements of	
Commodities sold or put up for sale	268
Coal in Transit re-weighed	lbs. 3,000
Retests of Gasoline devices after sealing	5

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR S. RYDER,
Sealer of Weights and Measures.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF WIRES

With war time restrictions still in force, curtailing the building of all new houses, there have been only a few completed new electrical installations in old houses, that previously were not electrified, in the year, ending December 31, 1944.

To offset this fact along comes a hurricane in the month of September which did a tremendous amount of damage to poles, wires and services. It took practically all the inspector's time, for two months following this destruction, surveying the damage and advising the townspeople as to what should be done, and inspecting the work after repairs were made. At the present time, there are probably a good many summer homes that will not be repaired and inspected until sometime in the future.

Harwichport	75
West Harwich	40
Harwich Center	28
South Harwich	16
North Harwich	8
Pleasant Lake	4
East Harwich	3
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Total	174

Respectfully submitted,

BRADFORD L. BARRETT,
Inspector of Wires.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF THE CALEB CHASE FUND

Interest Account

December 30, 1944

Received Interest for the year	\$390.44
Paid Overseers Public Welfare	380.44

Statement of Investments

1000 N. Y. Water Service Bond	\$992.50
50 Shs. First National Bank of Boston	1,703.75
50 Shs. National Shawmut Bank	1,312.50
Deposit C. C. F. C. Savings Bank	4,522.45
10 Shs. Am. Tel. & Tel. Co.	1,561.85
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	\$10,093.05

Respectfully submitted,

THEOPHILUS B. BAKER,
JOHN T. WOOD,
JOSEPH B. ATKINS,
EARL B. ELDREDGE,
J. FREEMAN RYDER,
EARLE SIMS,

Trustees of Caleb Chase Fund.

I, the undersigned Accounting Officer of the Town of Harwich, have this day examined the Books and Vouchers of the Treasurer for the Trustees of the Caleb Chase Fund and found the same correct.

Dec. 30, 1944.

FRANKLIN D. UNDERWOOD.

REPORT OF THE HARWICH POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Harwich, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I, herewith respectfully, submit my twelfth annual report of the Police Department for the Town of Harwich, for the year ending December 31, 1944.

Cases before the Second District Court	33
Guilty	32
Not Guilty	1
Calls received and investigated	670
Fires Attended	35
Automobile Accidents Investigated	27
Persons Injured in Auto Accidents	8
Accident Victims taken to Cape Cod Hospital	4
Fatal Accidents	1
Transfer of Ownership of Automobiles	117
Summons and Warrants Served	17
Persons confined to Lockup by this Department	18
Persons Confined to Lockup by Other Departments	18
Trips to Provincetown	10
Trips to Cape Cod Hospital	5
Trips to Other Institutions	8
Miles Covered by the Cruiser	17,571

The Emergency brought about by the Hurricane was handled by us with the aid of the State Guard and the Boy Scouts.

The Boy Scouts volunteered their services and efficiently carried out their duties. All of us owe them a vote of thanks for what they have done.

The Red Cross Canteen thoughtfully served hot meals to the men and boys who were on duty.

We thank each and everyone of you for your cooperation throughout the past year.

EMULOUS E. HALL,
Chief of Police.

REPORT OF BROOKS FREE LIBRARY

George W. Nickerson Fund

Cash on hand December 31, 1943	\$5,099.70
Interest for year	101.55
	\$5,201.25

Payments	96.44
Cash on hand December 31, 1944	\$5,104.81

John F. Small Fund

Cash on hand December 31, 1943	\$236.73
Interest for year	4.75
Cash on hand December 31, 1944	\$241.48

Librarians — Miss Susan L. Underwood
Mrs. Howard Cahoon

Circulation	12,000
Books added	325
Books in Library	8,500
Magazines taken	23

Respectfully submitted,

MILDRED B. PAINE,
CHARLOTTE P. SIMS,
HILLARY M. LECLAIRE,
Trustees of Brooks Free Library.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING

Dec. 31, 1944

To the Board of Health:

Gentlemen,

I have issued 68 permits. Paid into the Board of Health \$68.00

I have had to make many trips, as the Plumbers have had with the shortage of help, and the shortage of material, an extremely hard year.

The storm of September 14th caused heavy damage to our shore property, and has brought in many Plumbers from outside.

The assessed value of new Plumbing is \$21,419.00.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. WOOD,
Inspector of Plumbing.

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSION

Dec. 31st, 1944.

To the Citizens of Harwich:

The Cemetery Commissioners have used their allotment of \$500.00 on the following cemeteries:

South Harwich
Union, East Harwich
Seth E., East Harwich
End of Pond, East Harwich
Ryder's, East Harwich
Kelley, Harwich Center
Harwich Center
North Harwich
Baptist, West Harwich
Smith, West Harwich
Chace, West Harwich

From Hurricane Fund Allotment \$600.00. Owing to scarcity of help we have partly cleaned up Kelly Cemetery; Union, East Harwich; and the Harwich Cemetery. Our expenditures have amounted to \$400.00

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. WOOD, Chairman,
EARL ELDRIDGE,
JOHN CONDON,
Cemetery Commissioners.

REPORT OF THE FIRE AND FOREST WARDEN DEPARTMENT

To the Hon. Board of Selectmen and
To the Citizens of the Town of Harwich:

I hereby respectfully submit my annual report of the Departments for the year 1944.

The departments have answered 72 calls for fires during the year and the estimated value of buildings covered was \$92,000. estimated loss \$13,000. Acreage of grass and forest land burned was 7½ acres.

We have a very bad Fire Hazard facing us this year on account of the fallen timber in the woods due to the hurricane. Please be very careful when hunting, fishing or travelling through the woods. Try to clean up all brush, limbs, etc. on your home lot and get a permit to burn it during the winter months, don't wait until next spring.

Call the Department for all fires no matter how small, dont wait.

Permits are required for all open air fires.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE M. MOODY,
Chief of Fire Department
and Forest Warden.

LIST OF JURORS FOR 1945

Dunbar, J. Bryce	Grocery Clerk	Harwich Center
Holmes, Elmer W.	Fuel Dealer	East Harwich
Joy, Robert E.	Clerk	West Harwich
Nickerson, Norman O.	Bank Clerk	Harwich Center
Taylor, Thomas S.	Garageman	South Harwich
Thayer, Sheldon J.	Nurseryman	South Harwich
Tobey, Jesse C.	Retired	Harwich Center
Perkins, Edward L., Jr.	Merchant	West Harwich
Enos, Henry B.	Plumber	West Harwich
Cahoon, Roger W., Sr.	Retired	West Harwich
Farham, Axel W.	Decorator	West Harwich
Eldredge, Calvin C.	Cranberry Grower	Pleasant Lake
Crowell, Cleon S.		East Harwich
Sawyer, Winslow B.	Carpenter	South Harwich
Sullivan, Howard R.	Realtor	Harwich Port
Wales, Wallace	Retired	Harwich Port
Barrett, Bradford	Electrician	Harwich Port
Hardie, Charles W.	Salesman	West Harwich
Larkin, Daniel J.	Retired	Harwich Center
Dean, Earl	Cranberry Grower	North Harwich
Kelley, Walter W.	Retired	West Harwich
Baker, Channing N.	Farmer	Harwich Port
Young, Harry	Retired	Harwich Center
Hunt, Alfred L.	Chauffeur	Harwich Port
Chase, Robert W.	Cranberry Grower	West Harwich
Ryder, Victor S.	Cranberry Grower	North Harwich
Abbott, William J.	Golf Professional	Harwich Port
Ames, Wickham	Retired	South Harwich
Wilbur, Edgar M.	Fisherman	East Harwich
Carlson, C. Oscar	Merchant	Harwich Center

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES D. HOLMES,
CHARLES T. CHASE,
HOWARD C. CAHOON,
Selectmen of Harwich.

REPORT OF HERRING COMMITTEE

Dec. 29, 1944.

Board of Selectmen,
Harwich, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Your Herring Committee submit the following report:

We have had a rather strenuous year due to lack of water for the young herring to leave Long Pond until very late this fall, however we feel that we have been able to get the usual number out of pond.

The outlet from Long Pond is in very poor condition and will need rebuilding; we are asking for an appropriation for this work.

The auction sale was very satisfactory with conditions as they are at present. The only thing that we have to offer the purchaser is the right to catch the herring, purchaser has to furnish and find place to sein, there is no place at the present time that the herring committee can give the purchaser the privilege of seining, this condition makes it rather uncertain for one who does not have the assurance of a right of way to a place of seining and naturally retards the amount of bids and for these reasons we are asking for an appropriation to purchase a suitable and available pool, which will, we hope, be a good investment and soon repay the present investment. We hope that we can have a seining pool that will be a credit to all concerned.

As usual there is some trouble in getting the fishways working properly but we are in hopes that these conditions will be corrected. We have had good cooperation with bog owners and feel that unsatisfactory conditions at this time will be adjusted to the satisfaction of all.

Receipts and expenditures,	
App. for Herring Comm.	\$150.00
Sale of Fishery rights	456.00
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	\$606.00

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Auctioneering and advertising	\$55.00
Salary of Committee	150.00
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	205.40
Balance paid to Treasurer	\$400.60

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE E. GREENWOOD,
ROBERT H. CAHOON,
Herring Committee.

TREASURER'S REPORT 1944

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Cash on hand January 1, 1944	\$113,662.78
Cash received during 1944	286,974.57
Total	\$400,637.53

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Payments during 1944	\$290,631.83
Cash on hand in office Dec. 31, 1944	165.72
Cash in Cape Cod Trust Co., Dec. 31, 1944	109,839.98
Total	\$400,637.53

BROOKS SCHOOL MEDAL ACCOUNT TRUST FUND

Amount of fund January 1, 1944	\$1,221.79
Interest 1944	24.15
Total	\$1,245.94
Paid for school medals	39.14
Amount on hand Dec. 31, 1944	\$1,206.80

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS—1944

Amount of principal, Dec. 31, 1943	\$19,185.00
Amount of bequests added in 1944	1,700.00
Amount of principal Dec. 31, 1944	\$20,885.00
Accrued interest	\$1,253.11
Paid for 1944 work	240.80
Remaining interest	\$1,012.31
Total Trust Fund (Cemetery)	\$21,897.31

HENRY K. BEARSE,
Treasurer.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

DOG ACCOUNT—1944

Registering:

167 Males @ \$2.00	\$334.00
35 Females @ \$5.00	175.00
54 Spayed Females @ \$2.00	108.00
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Total 256	\$617.00

Fees retained	51.20
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Paid County Treasurer	\$565.80
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FILLING STATIONS, GASOLINE PUMPS AND STORAGE TANKS

30 licensed @ \$.50 each	\$15.00
Paid the Town Treasurer	\$15.00

HENRY K. BEARSE,
Town Clerk.

REPORT OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING FEBRUARY 7-8, 1944

Article 1. To choose on one ballot the following Town Officers and Committees: Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, for one year; one Selectman, Overseer of Public Welfare and Board of Health, for three years; one Assessor for three years; three Herring Committee for one year; one School Committee for three years; three Constables for one year; one Trustee of Brooks Library for three years; one Park Commissioner for three years; one Park Commissioner for two years; Moderator for one year; one Water Commissioner for three years; Surveyor of Highways for one year; one Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

Printed on the first pages in this book.

Article 2. To choose all other Town Officers and Committees.

Printed on the first pages in this book.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1944, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Accepted and adopted.

Article 4. To hear the report of all Town Officers and Committees for the year 1943.

It was voted that the report of all officers and committees as printed in the annual Town Report be accepted.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town expenses for the ensuing year, and act fully thereon.

	Recom- mended for 1944
Moderator	\$25.00
Selectmen's Salaries	2,200.00
Selectmen's Expense	250.00
Assessors' Salaries	1,500.00
Assessors' Expense	400.00
Treasurer's Salary	700.00
Treasurer's Expense	250.00
Treasurer's Bond	109.00
Tax Collector's Salary	1,800.00
Tax Collector's Expense	400.00
Tax Collector's Bond	161.25
Town Clerk's Salary	500.00
Town Clerk's Expense	100.00
Town Clerk's Bond	5.00
Town Accountant's Salary	1,100.00
Town Accountant's Expense	75.00
Stenographer's Salary	936.00
Surveyor of Highways' Salary	1,300.00
Elections and Registrations	1,000.00
Certifying Town Notes	10.00
Repairs of Public Buildings	800.00
Office Equipment	100.00
Exchange Building	2,200.00
Law	200.00
Miscellaneous	200.00
Foreclosure of Tax Titles	300.00
Police Department	7,000.00
Fire Department	3,700.00
Forestry Department (See Footnote No. 1.)	3,500.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	500.00
Tree Warden	50.00
Wire Inspector	200.00
Board of Health	2,000.00
Dump	1,100.00
Plumbing Inspector	500.00
Inspector of Animals	50.00
Inspector of Slaughtering	50.00
Highways — General Repairs	9,500.00
Bridges	200.00
Fences and Railings	300.00
Snow Removal	3,000.00
Electric Street Lights	7,723.20
Park Commission	600.00
Traffic Lights	100.00
Outside Poor	4,000.00
Poor of Other Towns	500.00
State Poor	3,000.00
Infirmary	3,000.00
Old Age Assistance	28,000.00
Soldiers' Benefits	1,200.00
Aid to Dependent Children	4,800.00

State Aid	700.00
Schools (See Footnote No. 2.)	63,803.00
Brooks Library	1,150.00
Reserve Fund	2,500.00
Insurance	2,000.00
Advertising	100.00
Herring Committee	150.00
Town Reports	600.00
Retirement of Water Bonds	7,000.00
Interest on Water Bonds	1,750.00
Retirement of Water Extension Notes	1,000.00
Interest on Water Extension Notes	40.00
Retirement of School House Bonds	7,000.00
Interest on School House Bonds	892.50
Water Department	7,500.00
Interest for Tax Anticipation Loans	20.00
Welfare Agent's Salary	780.00
Welfare Agent's Expense	100.00
Cemetery Commission	500.00
Civilian Defense	500.00
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	\$199,279.95

Footnotes to the 1944 Budget

1. \$500.00 of this appropriation to be ear-marked for the spraying of the elm tree beetle.
2. \$8,800.00 of this appropriation to be used for the operation of the Elementary and High School cafeterias, approximately all of which sum will be returned to the town through the sale of lunches.

TRANSFERS FROM THE RESERVE FUND IN 1943

\$2,300.00 to the "Old Age Assistance" Account.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to control, regulate and prohibit the taking of Eels, Clams, Quahaugs and Scallops, within the town limits as provided in Chapter 130. Section 57, as amended by Chapter 329 of the Acts of 1933 and to make any regulations in regard to such Fisheries as may be expedient, and act fully thereon.

Accepted and adopted.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to transfer from surplus revenue or available funds a sum not in excess of twenty thousand dollars, (\$20,000) for the purpose of reducing the 1944 tax rate and act fully thereon.

Accepted and adopted.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to defray the expenses of Harwich Ration Board and to act fully thereon.

Accepted and adopted. \$750.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the use of Harwich Post No. 292 American Legion in the proper observance of Memorial Day and Armistice Day and other proper patriotic purposes.

Accepted and adopted. \$150.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350.00) for the use of 3rd. Company, 1st Battalion, 30th Infantry, Mass. State Guard; of which \$150.00 is for the purchase of radio equipment and \$200.00 for the purchase of other articles of equipment or supplies not issued by the State Quartermaster, but needed for the proper performance of its duties.

For the purchase of other articles of equipment or supplies. \$200.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars for the purpose of maintaining shell fish Wardens at Allen's Harbor, Wychmere Harbor, Herring River and Pleasant Bay, and act fully thereon.

Accepted and adopted. \$100.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain one street light at the junction of Satucket Road and Quason Lane Harwichport, and act fully thereon.

Indefinitely postponed.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to maintain three street lights on East Harwich road, from the present light East to residence of Frank Votapka and raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the same.

It was voted to maintain (2) street lights their location to be determined by the Selectmen, provided the equipment necessary to erect them is available. \$35.60 raised and appropriated.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 69, Chapter 152 of the General Laws, Ter. ed., as amended, providing for the payment of Workmen's Compensation to injured employees of the town.

Accepted and adopted.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and

appropriate a sufficient sum of money to continue the sidewalk in West Harwich on the North side of the State Highway from the residence of Axel Farham to the driveway of Orick Hall, and act fully thereon.

Accepted and adopted. \$300.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, not to exceed \$2000.00 to be used in conjunction with other sums hereinafter sought, for the purpose of rip-rapping and filling the property of Charles E. LeBuff on Herring River in West Harwich, providing the County will furnish and provide a like sum; and the State will furnish and provide a sum not exceeding \$4000.00, the whole amount raised and furnished to be used for the purpose aforesaid; and to act fully thereon.

Clenric Cahoon offered this motion:

“That the town raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars, providing Charles E. LeBuff donate a like amount providing the County will raise one thousand dollars and the State two thousand dollars, the entire sum to be used in riprapping and filling the homestead of said LeBuff, on Herring River, West Harwich.”

This motion was seconded after some interesting debate a rising vote was taken resulting in favor of motion, 40; opposed 34.

\$500.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept the lay-out in accordance with a plan on file in the Town Clerk's Office, said lay-out being an extension of Shore Road leading easterly, then Northerly parallel with Gray Neck Road, provided the land within the lay-out can be obtained from the owners without cost.

It was voted “That this article be accepted and adopted when proper bounds are set, showing a road of thirty feet wide on Land Court Plan to be filed with the Land Court and a deed be given to the Town of Harwich for said road.”

Artice 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) for the purpose of clearing, grading, and hardening with cinders or some other suitable material, Shore Road Extension, so called.

Accepted and adopted. \$300.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to provide steps at the foot of Quason Lane to give access to the beach at that point.

Accepted and adopted provided that it is determined by the Selectmen that the location of the steps be on property owned by the town.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred (\$1500.00) dollars for Beach erosion to be used with any money that may be contributed by the State and County.

Accepted and adopted. \$1,500.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred and fifty (\$450.00) for the benefit of the Chase Library, West Harwich and act fully thereon.

Accepted and adopted. \$450.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred (\$600.00) dollars for the benefit of the Harwichport Library Association.

Accepted and adopted. \$600.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of three thousand dollars for the purpose of renovating and changing the Town Offices, so they will be more convenient, more modern and up to date, and to act fully thereon.

Accepted and voted to renovate the present offices. \$1,000.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to buy fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) of U. S. Government war bonds, the money to be taken from the surplus.

Accepted the Finance report or recommendation "that the town invest \$15,000.00 of its surplus funds in U. S. Government War Savings Bonds, Series G, the income from said bonds to be credited to surplus funds."

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Sections 22 to 26 inclusive of Chapter 114 of the General Laws, Ter. ed., and all acts and amendments thereto, pertaining to the powers, duties and authority of the Cemetery commissioners, and to act fully thereon.

Accepted and adopted.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two thousand (\$2000.00) dollars providing the State and County will contribute a like amount for the purpose of building a new Bridge in place of the so called Allen's Harbor Bridge on Lower County Road, and to act fully thereon.

It was voted "That the town appropriate \$1,000.00 under this article provided the County will contribute \$1,000.00 and the State \$2,000.00.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) for the purpose of building a substantial raft or float to be located off the Town owned beach at the end of Bank street, Harwichport, and act fully thereon.

Accepted and adopted. \$250.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed sixteen hundred (\$1600.) dollars, under the provision of sub-section 21 of Section 1 of Chapter 371 of Acts of 1921, and any and all amendments thereof and additions thereto for the employment of a nurse through the Harwich Visiting Nurse Association, Inc.

Accepted and adopted. \$1,600.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred (\$700.00) dollars to continue the work on Assessors Maps begun in 1942 and act fully thereon.

Accepted and adopted. \$700.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to expend the refunded dog tax for 1943, for the support of Brooks Free Library.

Accepted and adopted.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifteen hundred (\$1500.00) dollars to clean and paint the elevated tank on Kildee Hill, and act fully thereon.

Accepted and adopted. \$1,500.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 32. To see if the town will install or build a floor or foundation to the cement flume, as built by the W.P.A. at the outlet of Long Pond. The present work is lacking any provision for a gate or other control.

The Finance Committee recommends that the appropriation under this article, be spent under the supervision of the Herring Committee. \$1,000.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty (\$50.00) dollars for the feeding and propagation of game within the Town limits and that a Committee of three be appointed by the chair to have charge of the work.

Accepted and adopted. Committee: William R. Orton, Ralph W. Doane and Charles H. Taylor.

Article 34. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the Herring Fisheries for the year 1944.

Under vote of Howard C. Cahoon and amended by Joshua A. Nickerson the meeting voted "That the herring fisheries rights for 1944 be sold at public auction, to the highest bidder after proper notice at a time and place set by the Herring Committee.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.) for the purpose of keeping the beaches clean and for the care and repairs of the floats at Wychmere Harbor, Harwichport and at Round Cove, East Harwich and act fully thereon.

Accepted and adopted. \$400.00 raised and appropriated.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed One Thousand (\$1000.00) dollars to be paid to the Cape Cod Hospital for the establishment and maintenance of a free bed in the Hospital for care and treatment of persons certified by the Selectmen to be residents of the Town and unable to pay for such care and treatment, in accordance with Section 74 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto, and act fully thereon.

The following motion presented by Henry F. Smith was accepted and adopted "That the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 dollars to be paid to the trustees of the Cape Cod Hospital for the establishment and

maintenance of a free bed in the hospital for care and treatment of persons certified by the Selectmen to be residents of the town and unable to pay for such care and treatment in accordance with Section 74 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws and that unused balance remaining at the end of the fiscal year, shall remain in the hands of the Directors of the Cape Cod Hospital to be used to defray general expenses of the Hospital. \$1,000.00 raised and appropriated.

As the meeting was about to adjourn, the Moderator entertained the request from Harry B. Albro and asked the meeting to stand in silent prayer for a brief period as a visible sign of its deference and deepest regard for those of the town who have gone to fight and die for the preservation of the form of government under which we live and thrive.

The meeting was dismissed at 12:45 o'clock P.M.

A true copy from the records,

HENRY K. BEARSE,
Town Clerk.

Special Town Meeting

OCTOBER 6, 1944

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from surplus revenue to a special account entitled "Hurricane Repairs" said money to be used to repair hurricane damage of town Property and to act fully thereon.

It was voted "That the sum of ten thousand dollars be transferred from surplus revenue to the account 'Hurricane Damage'."

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from surplus revenue to the Aid to Dependent Children Account and to act fully thereon.

It was voted "That the sum of \$500.00 be transferred from surplus revenue to the aid of Dependent Children Account.

A true copy from the records,

HENRY K. BEARSE,
Town Clerk.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF HARWICH—1944

No.	Date	Name	Place of Birth	Parents
1	Jan. 21	Marietta Glynn Derwin	Barnstable, Mass.	William E. Derwin Rose A. Glynn
2	Jan. 28	Diane Sydney Chase	Barnstable, Mass.	Sidney E. Chase
3	Feb. 6	Russell Watson Small	Barnstable, Mass.	Emily M. Thibodeau
4	Mar. 12	Alan Keith Brayton	Barnstable, Mass.	Watson J. Small
5	Mar. 12	Nancy Jane Powell	Harwich, Mass.	Marjorie Symmes
6	Mar. 14	James Lloyd Smith, Jr.,	Harwich, Mass.	Clarence K. Brayton
7	Mar. 25	Martha Louise Crowell	Barnstable, Mass.	Evelyn M. Wheeler
9	May 15	Lois Ann Dumont	Barnstable, Mass.	William H. Powell
9	May 15	Louise Ann Dumont	Barnstable, Mass.	Gertrude E. Moore
10	May 15	Juanita May Almeida	Barnstable, Mass.	James L. Smith
11	May 22	Thomas Charles Crabe	Barnstable, Mass.	Estelle L. Chandler
12	May 24	Shirley Mae Gray	Barnstable, Mass.	Fred E. W. Crowell
13	May 24	Jean Hayden Lee	Barnstable, Mass.	Louise N. Eldridge

BIRTHS—Continued

No.	Date	Name	Place of Birth	Parents
14	May 30	Carole Hinckley	Barnstable, Mass.	Eben S. Hinckley Esther I. Bassett
15	June 3	Marianna Matheny	Barnstable, Mass.	Dewey S. Metheny Olive B. McKinley
16	June 22	Kenneth Joseph Pina	Barnstable, Mass.	Rufus F. Pina Clara Silva
17	June 27	Susan Jane West	Barnstable, Mass.	Robert E. J. West Adelia M. Wixon
18	July 1	Bonnie Carol Bearse	Barnstable, Mass.	Henry W. Bearse Wilhelmina Doane
19	July 6	Arthur Robert Stearns	Barnstable, Mass.	Robert S. Stearns Lois A. Johnson
20	July 8	Sharon Marie Long	Barnstable, Mass.	Benjamin E. Long Barbara C. Kendrick
21	July 17	Richard Charles Stephens	Barnstable, Mass.	William F. Stephens Phyllis M. Ryder
22	July 26	Wesley Howes Farrenkopf	Barnstable, Mass.	Sterling W. Farrenkopf Audrey H. Eldredge
23	Aug. 11	Alan Perry Taber, Jr.	Barnstable, Mass.	Alan P. Taber Isaura Pina
24	Aug. 20	Patricia Gail Peters	Barnstable, Mass.	Norman S. Peters Gertrude L. Chase
25	Aug. 27	Eileen May Galvin	Harwich, Mass.	Benjamin O. Galvin Emma Lopes
26	Sept. 20	Penny Idella Ellis	Barnstable, Mass.	Carlton L. Ellis Mary L. Ryder

BIRTHS—Continued

No.	Date	Name	Place of Birth	Parents
27	Sept. 23	..... Hahn	Barnstable, Mass.	Kenneth Hahn Dorothy M. Evans
28	Oct. 1	Ruth Ann Grace	Harwich, Mass.	Arthur D. Grace Louise Thatcher
29	Oct. 20	Pauline Mary Adams	Barnstable, Mass.	Clifeton J. Adams Hilda P. Leite
30	Nov. 14	..... Centio	Barnstable, Mass.	Antone S. Centeio Dorothy M. Fernandez
31	Dec. 28	..... Pena	Barnstable, Mass.	Isaac F. Pena Adeline Lopes

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN TOWN OF HARWICH—1944

No	Date	Names	Age	Residence	Place of Marriage
1	Feb. 7	Raymond M. Rose Doris A. Pires	26 19	Harwich Wareham, Mass.	Wareham, Mass.
2	Feb. 13	Paul S. Dyer	43	Wellfleet, Mass.	Harwich
3	Mar. 1	Mildred D. Long Johnny W. Miller	32 22	Harwich Dallonega, Ga.	East Harwich
4	Mar. 2	Mary V. Chase Robert G. Chapman	18 47	Harwich Dennis, Mass.	West Harwich
5	Mar. 25	Lucille M. Gordon Franklin G. Small	37 38	South Harwich South Harwich	South Harwich
6	Apr. 4	Edith L. Moore Caesar E. Silva	23 55	South Harwich Wareham, Mass.	Harwich Port
7	Apr. 17	Mary Lopes Edward Galvin	51 20	Pleasant Lake Harwich	Falmouth, Mass.
8	May 6	Julia Santos Anthony P. Texiera	19 45	Falmouth, Mass Harwich	Harwich
9	May 6	Gladys L. Chalke Francis T. Hunter	35 24	Harwich East Harwich	Boston, Mass.
10	June 5	Barbara E. Baker Winthrop N. Bassett, Jr.	21 22	Brewster, Mass. Brewster, Mass.	West Harwich
11	June 5	Carolyn Rose Jesse J. Gomes	18 21	Brewster, Mass. Harwich	Barnstable, Mass.
12	June 11	Janice W. Underwood William L. Crabe	21 27	Urbana, Ohio Harwich	Ayer, Mass.
13	June 14	Dorothy V. Bradley Henry I. Gomes Lena Roderick	20 25 21	North Harwich Ayer, Mass. Barnstable, Mass.	Barnstable, Mass.

MARRIAGES—Continued

No	Date	Names	Age	Residence	Place of Marriage
14	June 25	Milton E. Ellis Nellie F. Tripp	56	Dennis, Mass.	West Harwich
15	June 25	Bradford L. Barrett, Jr. Pauline Robbins	65	Dennis, Mass.	West Harwich
16	July 1	Frederick E. Johnson	21	Harwich Port	Dennis, Mass.
17	July 16	Rose Marion Sears Clayton Earl Chase	37	Chatham, Mass.	West Harwich
18	July 22	Emma G. Eldredge Peter G. DeMello	36	Dennis, Mass.	East Harwich
19	Aug. 3	Mary A. Mahoney Frederick T. McHugh	28	East Harwich	Harwich Port
20	Aug. 7	Betty Leola Petitjean Daniel P. Devine	27	Harwich Port	Harwich Center
21	Aug. 8	Mary E. Hartranft Bertram W. Eldredge	20	Providence, R. I.	Harwich Center
22	Aug. 10	Lucille C. Grover Lyle D. Adams	21	Waterbury, Conn.	Harwich Center
23	Aug. 22	Arthur J. Gorham Olive K. Ellis	21	Waterbury, Conn.	Harwich Center
24	Aug. 22	Rafael I. Chopitea Nancy Eaton	24	Norwood, Mass.	Montgomery, Penn
25	Sept. 9	Robert R. Bouvier Helen W. Ostby	19	Montgomery, Penn	Harwich Center
26	Sept. 10	William S. Kennedy, Jr. Norma S. Ison	17	Chillicothe, Ill.	Harwich Center
			40	Chatham, Mass.	West Harwich
			37	Orleans, Mass.	West Harwich
			28	Orleans, Mass.	Brewster, Mass.
			19	Argentina, South America	
			24	Harwich Port	
			17	Haverhill, Mass.	
			40	Harwich Port	
			37	North Harwich	
				Bourne, Mass.	

MARRIAGES—Continued

No	Date	Names	Age	Residence	Place of Marriage
27	Sept. 30	John J. Wagner Jaquith B. Doane	22 18	Lebanon, Penn. Chatham, Mass.	West Harwich
28	Nov. 8	Walter H. Thomas Catherine C. Sullivan	57 57	Chatham, Mass. Springfield, Mass.	West Harwich
29	Nov. 12	Thomas M. King Nora Gage	27 18	Dennis, Mass. Brewster, Mass.	West Harwich
30	Nov. 29	Thomas H. Nickerson Eva P. Griffin Watts	70 63	Harwich Port Chatham, Mass.	Chatham, Mass.
31	Dec. 24	Edward J. Charleston, Jr. Shirley M. Relyea	22 23	Brockton, Mass. Brockton	Harwich Port
32	Dec. 27	Sherman L. Burson, Jr. Theodora L. Nickerson	21 23	Pittsburg, Penn. Chatham, Mass.	East Harwich
33	Nov. 4	Albert K. Chase, Jr. Elaine Virginia MacNeil	29 28	Harwich Port Medford, Mass.	Medford, Mass.
34	Dec. 31	Delbert H. Pierce Berdina M. Smith	24 25	Chatham, Mass. Chatham, Mass.	East Harwich

DEATHS RECORDED IN THE TOWN OF HARWICH—1944

No.	Date	Name	Age	Disease	Place of Death
1	Jan. 23	Seabury W. Taylor	82	Influenza	South Harwich
2	Jan. 7	Mary M. Howes	86	Influenza	Barnstable, Mass.
3	Feb. 19	Simos Wessala	55	Accidental Death	Harwich Center
4	Mar. 13	Joseph G. Chase	84	Arterio sclerosis	East Harwich
5	Mar. 18	Stephen B. Eldredge	78	Pneumonia	Taunton, Mass.
6	Mar. 23	Dominga G. Cosmo	90	Cerebral thrombosis	North Harwich
7	Mar. 24	Thomas R. Eldredge	49	Cholocystitis	Boston, Mass.
8	Apr. 3	Grace T. Servant	83	Cerebral hemorrhage	West Harwich
9	Apr. 9	Mary J. Schroeder	49	Arterio sclerosis	East Harwich
10	Apr. 10	Charles Antone	44	General paralysis	Taunton, Mass.
11	May 2	Ernestine F. Demello	50	Coronary occlusion	Harwich Center
12	May 21	John H. Erbes	73	Arterio sclerosis	North Harwich
13	May 30	Fannie M. Taylor	71	Coronary thrombosis	Harwich Port
14	June 11	Siny A. Jason	79	Cancer of breast	Pleasant Lake
15	June 18	Charles Freeman Hall	82	Cerebral thrombosis	North Harwich
16	July 4	Bertha M. Ogden Ryder	60	Coronary occlusion	North Harwich
17	July 5	Olaf Eliassen	62	Coronary thrombosis	West Harwich
18	July 8	Nathaniel T. Gorham	76	Cerebral embolism	Harwich Center
19	July 12	Seviah Freeman Ellis	91	Senile arterio sclerotic	Harwich Port
20	July 17	Sevaste Stavrinos	63	Coronary thrombosis	Port
21	Aug. 5	Alonzo F. Nickerson	75	Cerebral hemorrhage	East Harwich
22	Aug. 8	Thomas Orton	72	Myocarditis	West Harwich
23	Aug. 8	Grace L. Shurtliff	78	Coronary thrombosis	Harwich Port
24	Aug. 16	Harper W. Llewellyn	58	Coronary sclerosis	Port
25	Aug. 17	Frank I. Shackley	78	Arterio sclerosis	Harwich Port
26	Sept. 16.	Frederick L. Rolfe	56	Auto accident	South Harwich

DEATHS—Continued

No.	Date	Name	Age	Disease	Place of Death
27	Sept. 11	Mary N. McLaughlin	87	Senility	Newton, Mass.
28	Sept. 23	..... Hahn			
29	Oct. 3	Lawrence B. Robbins	58	Cardiac decompensation	Barnstable, Mass.
30	Oct. 25	Aaron E. Baker	90	Arterio sclerosis	West Harwich
31	Nov. 6	Emily B. Morrill	74	Coronary heart disease	South Harwich
32	Nov. 24	Robert F. Pierce	79	Arterio sclerosis	East Harwich
33	Nov. 15	Dorothy Centeio		Prematurity	Barnstable, Mass.
34	Nov. 27	Leo A. Kahan	58	Coronary thrombosis	Newton, Mass.
35	Nov. 29	Josiah P. Nickerson	89	Myocarditis	Barnstable, Mass.
36	Dec. 6.	George Leslie Megathlin	87	General arterio sclerosis	Barnstable, Mass.
37	Dec. 9	Pamelia C. Nickerson	78	Coronary thrombosis	North Harwich
38	Dec. 13	Mary Eva Kendrick	86	Cerebral hemorrhage	Harwich Port
39	Dec. 17	Ambrose E. Freeman	78	Coronary thrombosis	Barnstable, Mass.
40	Dec. 12	Elizabeth A. Greeley	70	Lobar Pneumonia	Harwich Port

BODIES BROUGHT TO HARWICH FOR BURIAL—1944

No.	Date	Name	Age	Cemetery	Place of Death
1	Jan. 4	John E. P. Kendrick	67	Pine Grove	Dennis Port, Mass.
2	Jan. 12	Charles James Eldredge	93	North Harwich	Orleans, Mass.
3	Jan. 28	Elizabeth C. Robbins	87	Pine Grove	Brockton, Mass.
4	Feb. 1	Wilbur T. Crowell	72	South Harwich	Taunton, Mass.
5	Feb. 4	Clementine N. Burnham	71	Island Pond	Newton, Mass.
6	Feb. 28	Orlanda Baker Gage	72	Mt. Pleasant	Providence, R. I.
7	Mar. 1	Harvey E. Snow	53	Evergreen	Winchester, Mass.
8	Mar. 2	Lottie A. Darling	71	Evergreen	Barnstable, Mass.
9	Mar. 8	Eliza J. Geer	82	Pine Grove	Brockton, Mass.
10	Mar. 12	Zebina H. Small	79	Mt. Pleasant	Dennis Port, Mass.
11	Mar. 20	Erundia Rose	37	Catholic	Boston, Mass.
12	Mar. 21	Ellen F. Eldridge	52	Evergreen	Needham, Mass.
13	Apr. 14	Edwin F. Bearse	67	Evergreen	Babylon, N. Y.
14	Apr. 19	Edwin L. Jerauld	72	Evergreen	Weymouth, Mass.
15	Apr. 19	Joseph R. Hennessy	56	Catholic	Dennis, Mass.
16	May 10	Nancy B. Hollingsworth	67	Evergreen	West Dennis, Mass.
17	May 23	Robert T. Stevens	55	Island Pond	Brockton, Mass.
18	June 1	J. Harry Ellis	79	South Harwich	Somerville, Mass.
19	June 1	Ethel M. Ellis	60	South Harwich	Cambridge, Mass.
20	July 1	Joseph Connolly	70	Catholic	Brewster, Mass.
21	July 1	Danforth S. Steele	93	Evergreen	Cambridge, Mass.
22	July 11	John C. Hackett	7 mos.	Catholic	Barnstable, Mass.
23	July 10	William W. Eldredge	84	North Harwich	Dennis, Mass.
24	Aug. 7	George W. Starbuck	83	Island Pond	Middleboro, Mass.
25	Aug. 7	Noble Starbuck	52	Island Pond	Middleboro, Mass.
26	Aug. 15	Hazel B. Gordon	49	Pine Grove	North Tonawanda, N. Y.

BODIES BROUGHT TO HARWICH FOR BURIAL—1944

No.	Date	Name	Age	Cemetery	Place of Death
27	Sept. 9	Bessie Packard	63	Island Pond	Concord, N. H.
28	Sept. 1	Sarah Lavelle	75	Catholic	Chatham, Mass.
29	Oct. 7	Frederick W. Baker	74	Evergreen	Chatham, Mass.
30	Oct. 9	Victoria A. Kendrick	68	Evergreen	Quincy, Mass.
31	Oct. 12	Walter Craft	68	Evergreen	Cranston, R. I.
32	Oct. 22	Susan M. Eldridge	68	Evergreen	Chatham, Mass.
33	Oct. 22	Harry Oliver	9	Island Pond	New Bedford, Mass.
34	Nov. 27	Sparrow Young	76	Evergreen	Chatham, Mass.
35	Nov. 30	Minnie A. Miles	73	Evergreen	Warwich, R. I.
36	Dec. 14	Eliphilet Ellis	84	Island Pond	Barnstable, Mass.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Harwich for the year ending December 31, 1943, and submit the following report thereon:

The records of financial transactions of the several departments receiving or paying out money for the town or committing bills for collection were examined, checked, and verified by comparison with the reports of the town treasurer.

A balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town on December 31, 1943, was prepared and is appended to this report. This balance sheet indicates that the financial condition of the town is very good.

The town accountant's ledger for general accounts was incomplete and it was necessary to compile such accounts in order to ascertain the financial condition of the town as of December 31, 1943.

The appropriation accounts kept by the accountant were analyzed and it was necessary to check all payments in order to locate numerous clerical errors and to bring the ledger into balance.

In checking the appropriation accounts, it was noted that the 1943 appropriation for the fire department, voted by the town for \$3,500, was set up by the accountant at \$4,000, and that a police department pay-roll in the sum of \$31.57 was charged in error to the "Miscellaneous" appropriation. These errors were corrected, with the result that the fire and police department appropriations showed overdrafts of \$135.70 and \$31.57, respectively, at the close of 1943.

It is essential that the accountant's ledger be kept accurately and up-to-date, so that correct information

may at all times be available relative to the condition of the town.

The weekly treasury warrants prepared by the town accountant and approved by the selectmen should be written in ink or typewritten.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The cash book was footed throughout, the recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the departmental records of payments to the treasurer and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were compared with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the disbursement of town funds.

The treasurer's cash balance on February 19, 1944, was proved by actual count of cash in the office and by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the bank in which town funds are deposited.

The savings bank books and securities represented the investment of trust funds in custody of the town treasurer and the trustees were examined. The income was proved and the withdrawals were verified.

The payments for maturing debt and interest were compared with the cancelled securities and coupons on file and with the amounts falling due.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined and checked. The amounts added to the tax title account were compared with the collector's records, the redemptions were checked with receipts as recorded on the treasurer's cash book, and the tax titles on hand were listed and proved.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked. The poll, property, and motor vehicle excise taxes and moth assessments outstanding according to the previous audit, as well as all subsequent commitments, were analyzed and checked with the assessors' warrants for their collection. The payments to the treasurer were checked to the treasurer's cash books, the recorded abatements were compared with the assessors' record of abatements granted, the taxes and assessments transferred to the tax title account were checked with the treasurer's records of tax titles held by the town, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved.

The collector's cash balance on February 19, 1944,

was verified by actual count of cash in the office and by examination of a bank statement furnished by the bank of deposit.

The departmental and water accounts receivable outstanding according to the previous examination, as well as all subsequent commitments, were audited and proved. The payments to the treasurer were checked with the treasurer's recorded receipts, the abatements were compared with the records in the departments authorized to grant such credits, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved.

The outstanding tax, assessment, departmental, and water accounts were verified by sending notices to many persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, and from the replies received thereto it appears that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The records of dog and sporting licenses issued by the town clerk, as well as of miscellaneous receipts, were examined and checked, the recorded payments to the treasurer and the State being verified by comparison with the treasurer's books and with the receipts on file.

The surety bonds of the town officials required by law to furnish them were examined and found to be in proper form.

The financial records of the selectmen, of the sealer of weights and measures, of the police, health, school, and library departments, as well as of all other departments collecting money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and checked with the treasurer's cash receipts.

There are appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's and collector's cash, summaries of the tax, assessment, tax title, departmental, and water accounts, together with tables showing the condition and transaction of the trust funds.

While engaged in making the audit, cooperation was received from all town officials, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE
Assistant Director of Accounts.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

FEBRUARY 5, 1945

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Harwich,
in said County, Greetings:—

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
you are hereby directed to notify and warn the Inhabitants
of said Town qualified to vote in Elections and Town Af-
fairs, to meet in Exchange Hall in said Town on Monday,
February 5, 1945 at 9 A.M., then and there to act on the
following articles:—

Polls will be open at 9 A.M. and may close at 2 P.M.

Article 1. To choose on one ballot the following Town
Officers and Committees: Town Clerk, Town Treasurer,
Collector of Taxes, for one year; one Selectman, Overseer
of Public Welfare and Board of Health, for three years;
one Assessor for three years; three Herring Committee for
one year; one School Committee for three years; three Con-
stables for one year; one Trustee of Brooks Library for
three years; one Park Commissioner for three years; Mod-
erator for one year; one Water Commissioner for three
years; Surveyor of Highways for one year; one Cemetery
Commissioner for three years.

Article 2. To choose all other Town Officers and
Committees.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize
the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen,

to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1945, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 4. To hear the report of all Town Officers and Committees for the year 1944.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town expenses for the ensuing year, and act fully thereon.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salaries of the elected Town Officers for the year 1945.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to instruct its Selectmen to control, regulate and prohibit the taking of eels, clams, quahaugs and scallops, within the town limits as provided in Chapter 130, Section 57, as amended by Chapter 329 of the Acts of 1933 and to make any regulations in regard to such fisheries as may be expedient, and act fully thereon.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from surplus revenue or available funds a sum not in excess of twenty thousand dollars, (\$20,000) for the purpose of reducing the 1945 tax rate and act fully thereon.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to defray the expenses of Harwich Ration Board and to act fully thereon.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the use of Harwich Post No. 292 American Legion in the proper observance of Memorial Day and Armistice Day and other proper patriotic purposes.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell by public sale any property the Town may acquire or has acquired by the foreclosure of tax titles and act fully thereon.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and

appropriatt a sum not to exceed one thousand (\$1000.00) dollars to be paid to the Cape Cod Hospital for the establishment and maintenance of a free bed in the Hospital for care and treatment of persons certified by the Selectmen to be residents of the Town and unable to pay for such care and treatment, in accordance with Section 74 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto and act fully thereon.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate certain sums of foney to repair hurricane damage, said money to be used by the Park Commissioners, the Cemetery Commissioners, School Committee and Tree Warden and Highway Department and act fully thereon.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 to continue work on Assessors' Maps and act fully thereon.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3000.00 for the prevention of Beach erosion, said money to be used with money from State or County.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$659.64 to be used for the extending water mains where requested, providing that the income from such extensions will be at least 6% of the cost.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or borrow a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of laying a water main on Neel Road and act fully thereon.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or borrow a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of laying a water main on Gorham Road and act fully thereon.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or borrow a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of laying water mains on Brooks Road and Lower County Road and act fully thereon.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or borrow a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of extending the water main on Earle Road and act fully thereon.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or borrow a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of extending the water main on Hiawatha Road and act fully thereon.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or borrow a sufficient sum of money for the purpose of laying water mains on Sisson Road and act fully thereon.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, not to exceed three hundred and fifty (\$350.00) dollars, to defray the expenses of maintaining a certified life guard on the Town Beach, during the Summer Season of 1945, and act fully thereon.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed sixteen hundred (\$1600.00) dollars, under the provisions of sub-section 21 of Section 1 of Chapter 371 of the Acts of 1921, and any and all amendments thereof and additions thereto for the employment of a nurse through the Harwich Visiting Nurse Association, Inc.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to remove the debris washed up by the hurricane onto the shores of Wychmere Harbor.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for unpaid bills as provided for in Chapter 179 of the Acts of 1941.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Construction (Allen's Harbor Bridge) or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the use of the Harwich Veteran's Rehabilitation and Re-employment Committee and act fully thereon.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise (\$300.00) three hundred dollars for the purpose of straightening road, beginning at the Southeast corner of Route 137 opposite the Evergreen Cemetery and extending Northerly to approximately three hundred feet.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand (\$1000.00) dollars to purchase and equip the Police Department with a new Patrol Car, to replace the old Patrol Car now in use, and to authorize the Selectmen to sell or trade the Patrol Car now owned by the Town and the sum received, therefrom to be used towards the purchase of a new car, and to act fully thereon.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to increase the wage for Town labor to seventy-five (\$.75) cents per hour.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1000.00 to widen and harden the road in East Harwich (known as the Schoolhouse Road) from the Harwich Center to South Orleans Road East to corner of Bay Road and Main Street which is a short cut to Pleasant Bay and Route 28.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve hundred (\$1200.00) dollars for the purchase of a sand loader.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred fifty (\$450.00) dollars for the benefit of the Chase Library Association, and act fully thereon.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars for the feeding and propagation of game within the Town Limits and that a committee of three be appointed by the Chair to have charge of the work.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to erect on the Town Beach at the foot of Bank Street flush toilets for the use of the Bathing Public and act fully thereon.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$350.00) for the purpose of keep-

ing the beaches clean and for the repair of the board walks used on the Town Beach and act fully thereon.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$350.00) for the care and repair of the Town Docks at Round Cove and Wychmere Harbor and act fully thereon.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to pay members of the State Guard for hurricane duty.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred (\$600.00) dollars for the benefit of the Harwichport Library Association.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to expend the Refunded Dog Tax for the support of Brooks Free Library.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to reshingle the roof of Brooks Block and to repair the gutters and interior leakage damage.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to accept the road leading from Lower County Road, Southerly to Shore Road as a Town Way, as laid out on a plan of the late Henry N. Chase, said road being forty feet wide.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand (\$1000.00) dollars for the purpose of planting shade trees along the Public Highways of the Town, under the provisions of Chapter 87, Section 7, of the General Laws.

Article 46. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the Herring Fisheries for the year 1945 and act fully thereon.

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to purchase a new Honor Roll, said Honor Roll to be erected at Wheeler Park, Harwichport, and that a committee consisting of three members of the American Legion and the Selectmen be authorized to make such purchase and provide for its maintenance and upkeep.

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to erect and maintain one street light on Chatham Road in front of the residence of William J. Reid and act fully thereon.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to erect and maintain one street light on Woodland Road between Bank and Bayview Avenue in Harwichport and act fully thereon.

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to continue the construction of the asphalt sidewalk on the West side of Cross Street between Pleasant Street and Miles Street.

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to change the present elective term of Collector of Taxes, Town Treasurer and Town Clerk from one to three years.

Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the action taken at the Regular Town Meeting on February 2, 1931 whereby it accepted Section 1, 3, 6 and 7 and Sections 11 to 16 inclusive of Chapter 142 General Laws and all amendments and additions thereto; said act being relative to the Supervision of Plumbing, to take effect at once.

Article 53. To see if the Town of Harwich will appropriate a sufficient sum of money to construct a concrete flume at Long Pond, the outlet to Herring Brook.

Article 54. To see if the Town of Harwich will vote to purchase a seining pool and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) for same or take any action thereon.

Hereof, fail not and make returns of this Warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands the 8th day of January, 1945.

CHARLES D. HOLMES,
CHARLES T. CHASE,
HOWARD C. CAHOON,
Selectmen of Harwich.

A true copy:

ATTEST:

..... Constable.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
AND THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
Town of Harwich
MASSACHUSETTS



FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1944

ORGANIZATION FOR THE YEAR 1944

School Committee

Norman E. Holmes, Chairman	Term expires 1947
Wilbur H. Crowell	Term expires 1945
J. Howard Doane	Term expires 1946

Superintendent of Schools

Charles H. Pratt, A. M.

School Physician

John P. Nickerson, M. D.
Arthur J. D'Elia, M. D.

School Nurse

Adelyn J. Peabody, R. N.

Supervisor of Attendance

Charles S. Smith

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

	Expended in 1944	Need in 1945
General Control:		
School Committee		
Salaries and Expenses	\$ 450.00	
Superintendent of Schools		
Enforcement of Law		
Salaries	2,528.78	
Office Expenses	349.06	
	—————	
		\$ 3,327.84 \$ 3,210.00
Instruction:		
Supervisors	1,860.08	
Principals and Teachers	29,495.76	
Textbooks	598.86	
Supplies	1,013.80	
	—————	
		32,968.50 338,78.00
Operation:		
Janitors	5,041.96	
Fuel	3,030.65	
Electricity, Water, Gas and Janitor's Supplies	1,991.46	
	—————	
		10,064.07 9,610.00
Maintenance:		
Repairs, Replacement and Upkeep	1,991.46	
	—————	
		2,715.56 1,000.00
Auxiliary Agencies:		
Libraries	88.30	
Health	360.01	
Transportation	4,800.00	
Graduation, Athletics, Lunch Supplies, Cooks' Salary, Senior Class Service, H. S. Phone, Films, Tuition, etc.	9,583.96	
	—————	
		14,832.27 16,102.00
Outlay:		
New Grounds and Buildings	5.19	
New Equipment	66.66	
	—————	
		71.85
	—————	—————
Total	\$63,980.09	\$63,800.00
Appropriated for 1944	\$63,803.00	
Refunds	260.87	
	—————	—————
		\$64,063.87
Expended in 1944		\$63,980.09
	—————	—————
Balance		\$83.78

NET COST OF SCHOOLS

Expenditures during 1944	\$63,980.09
Received and Receivable:	
Due on account of	
Expenditures in 1944	
Mass. General School	
Fund Part I	\$3,618.70
City of Boston:	
Transportation	\$ 99.32
Tuition	541.54
	640.86
Mass. Adult Education	420.00
Town of Dennis Tuition	69.67
Town of Chatham:	
Telephone	27.19
Town of Eastham:	
Telephone	10.08
Town of Orleans:	
Telephone	45.60
Lost Book	1.48
Lost Art Supplies	1.47
Materials bought in Manual	
Training	18.75
Rental H. S. Auditorium	20.00
H. S. Toll Calls	1.10
Receipts from High School	
Lunch Sales	3,741.13
Receipts from Elementary	
Lunch Sales	\$3,502.37
Receipts brought forward	
from 1943	1.78
Receipts Extra Milk Sold	88.38
Federal Subsidy Nov. '43 to	
Oct. 1944 inclusive	957.98
From Visiting Nurse Assoc.	
(paid meals)	37.20
From Salvation Army	
(paid meals)	84.60
From City of Boston	
(paid meals)	24.30
	4,696.61
	13,312.73
Net Cost	\$50,667.36

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS HARWICH

To the School Committee of Harwich:

The Annual School Report for 1944 is as follows:

The school membership of 349 in all grades in October first 1944 shows an increase of thirteen above that of a year ago. Grades of the elementary schools have eleven more than a year ago while grades seven through twelve have increased two in membership. The membership in 1933 reached the total of 532 which was the highest during the last fifteen year period.

The North Harwich School close for the 1944 April vacation and was not again opened. The teacher of grades 4, 5 and 6 resigned at that time and the school was transferred to the Center. At the time of closing there were twenty-eight children in attendance in grades as follows:

Grade I	4 children	Grade IV	6 children
Grade II	3 children	Grade V	7 children
Grade III	4 children	Grade VI	4 children
11 in the primary room		17 in the intermediate room	

These children have now been assigned to grades at the Center with resulting enrollment as shown in the "Tabular Statement of Membership By Grades as of October First" on another page of this report.

As a result of the present organization, every child in town has the opportunity to share the benefits of the noon lunch. The faculty of the elementary schools is two less in number than was the case a year ago. The economy effected in instruction, upkeep of building, fuel, janitor service, etc., exceeds \$3,000 per year, while the educational results are, in my opinion, much improved by the change.

It is due in part to such savings as above that it has been possible to submit a school budget for 1945 which is no more than that of 1944. Increased costs in all the essentials of life are reflected by some increase in school costs.

Fortune, the magazine speaking as press agent of business under "Ferment in Education" is quoted as saying, "Our Country is not going to be any better than our school system; in very measurable part we shall get exactly

the school system we pay for. We need more schools and not attracted to the profession . . . Many school systems better teachers". They go on . . . " Teacher's salaries are pay maintenance, carpenters, and electricians more than the teacher". A school man who used such powerful language would be discounted as one sounding his opinions tinged with prejudice. Big business cannot be accused of this weakness.

Our present teachers need more appreciation for the work they have done. They need nancial encouragement to invest in their own professional growth. Certainly we have found that if we go outside our own towns to find replacements we must pay higher salaries. If schools are to have future leadership commensurate with the importance of the service, there must be far greater financial inducement and higher appreciation of the teacher's position of trust and responsibility.

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

In this, the fourth year of America at war, the school is very definitely trying to achieve three major objectives.

First of all, we are trying to run a school. This means an educational institution in which the traditional processes are carried on, fulfilling the needs of those pupils who are preparing to enter higher schools and colleges, teaching the skills and practices to those pupils who are planning to enter the commercial field, and teaching the practical arts to those pupils, both boys and girls, who's plans for life call for them.

In order to make this teaching effective, it is necessary to maintain the levels of achievement demanded by schools, colleges, hospitals, and the business world. There must be no slackening of effort because of war hysteria, uncertainty of the future, or upset social conditions.

We find it impossible to run a school and maintain satisfactory levels of achievement, without insisting on a high standard of social order and personal self-discipline. We firmly believe that if our conduct and discipline breaks down, that the pupil achievement will suffer, and that the school, as such, will not function effectively as a genuine educational institution.

In the second place, we are trying to serve the community. A large part of the social life of the youth of the

town, and this social life is very essential to our welfare, centers around activities of the school. Of late, these have necessarily been severely curtailed, but now we are slowly expanding them. More social opportunities are opening, and our youth are being given greater recreational facilities.

We are trying to teach the responsibilities of citizenship. A clearer understanding of the fundamental bases and foundations of our social order together with an opportunity to take part in the management of the development of these expanding movements, will create a condition of awareness of the integration of the relative parts and processes which we think will have a tendency to make a better and more understanding citizen.

We have served the community by continuing our efforts in the salvage work.

Every pupil in the school is a member of the Junior Red Cross, and as such, who have tried to be of assistance to the men in the hospital at Camp Edwards. In fact, this institution has been our chief objective along this line.

We have sold bonds, and bought stamps, to an extent which should have been of material assistance to the community in reaching its quota in our war drives.

In the third place, we are trying to do our part in making America strong.

We believe that the best way to help make America strong is to cooperate to the best of our ability with the program outlined by the War Department for the prosecution of the national effort on the various fronts, both at home and abroad. The splendid response of the girls graduating from our school in joining the Cadet Nurses Corps is an example of this cooperation.

The War Department, joining with the U. S. Office of Education, asked that the following nine areas of instruction be covered in high school teaching for the boys; namely: physical fitness, mathematical skills, knowledge and ability to apply scientific principles, basic language skills, occupational skills, knowledge of why we fight, orientation to army life, health sanitation and first aid, and map reading ability.

We are including these areas in our regular instruction as well as we can, in our small way, that our boys,

and possibly girls, will be better equipped in this struggle for survival, that they, and through them all America may remain strong.

The elementary schools and the high school cooperated in a very active campaign of collecting milkweed pods for manufacture of life belts for the armed services. This was necessary since kapok which had formerly been used for that purpose is now in the hands of the enemy. Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Lovering the amount shipped from Harwich totaled 41 bags. This excellent response reflects credit upon the schools. Appreciation of the State organization for this effort was received. While the sum of twenty cents per bag was paid those who brought in the pods, the greatest compensation came through the patriotic satisfaction of useful service rendered.

MUSIC

Music in the schools is showing a genuine and healthy growth. Talent is present in those boys and girls all around us. They should be called upon more frequently to make the contribution which they are able to do. Graduation is not the only time they can sing or play nor is school the only institution which this talent can be called on to support.

Mr. Nassi, Supervisor of instrumental music makes the following report:

"I am glad to report that in spite of conditions our school music continues to achieve satisfactory results. Our small town music system is a challenge to many a large city system. Our children receive more individual attention than pupils do in larger systems. Every child is urged to take up some musical instrument. If the parents would only cooperate more, take personal interest and get into personal contact with us more often, we could improve even more. Harwich is not up to par with the other towns in this district and fault lies with the parents alone. The pupils certainly have as much natural ability as those in other towns. Music can and should be a vital part of every child's life. If more parents could share this belief then the musical organizations in Harwich would flourish much more readily.

There has never before been a time in which people

have had the opportunity to come into contact with so much inspiring music, performed by the most highly skilled artists, as there is today. Unfortunately there comes with the best in music also the worst. There is only one way for people to be able to select the bad from the good and that is by training them to play and perform good music. Actual participation has no substitute. However immature may be the participant, at first, those on the sidelines cannot possibly acquire the thrill and excitement of the one who is making the music. With this in mind then our task is to give to every child possible the opportunity of musical training. Harwich school music activities are much smaller than I would like them to be at present . . . let us hope that they increase rapidly in the near future."

The report of Miss Eleanor Anifantis, Supervisor of Vocal Music follows:

VOCAL MUSIC

We know of the necessity of music in war time—it will be even more needed when our war veterans return with shattered nerves and souls. Since the children in our schools will be the citizens of the peace era to come and will be relied on to reconstruct our war torn world, we must not neglect their training. The world is in dire need of harmony. Gen. Coleman Dupont says, "There is no greater harmonizing influence than music—particularly choral music."

Much enthusiasm has been aroused in choral singing during the last 15 years inspired largely by the visiting Vienna Choir Boys, Russian Cossack singers, the English singers and many other choral groups. The singing in our schools is too often left to expert choirs. This should not be so, because it should reach everybody. When the children sing and make music themselves, it is of double value because it becomes a means of self expression.

Every child is born with some degree of musical talent and if given a chance will show itself as naturally, as that of speech. A child must learn to feel rhythm before he can sing or play rhythmically. In the intermediate grades if the children have difficulty in reading a song, I ask them to put their books down and give me their attention. Using my left hand to represent the staff and the index finger of my right hand to point to the line or

space to represent the notes, I lead them through the song. They sustain each note until I move my hand for the next one. Usually there is a fine response. Then we read the song from the book. From this we find that the rhythm interfered with their note reading. The better the background of rhythm, the easier the note reading. That is why in the first grade we begin immediately with our rhythm work. Also in the first grade we attempt to eliminate the so-called monotones by tone matching games and drills. Rubenstein said, "The study of the musical language is like that of all other languages. He who leans it at infancy can become master of it." Two of our pupils, one in the 5th grade and another in the 3rd were monotones up until this year. I am very happy to report that they are now considered some of the best singers in their classes.

However, we are not concerned so much with what children will do in singing as we are with what singing may do in children. Because music nowadays has such an influence on industry, religion, economics and government, it plays a very important role in every day life. In other words, it should go beyond the singing class into the community. An example of this is the school providing good singers for their local church choirs. I am also very happy to report that many of our boys and girls are now serving in this capacity. Since Christianity is a singing religion and many young people taking part in the services, we may be sure that there are many good future citizens in the making.

"God sent his singers upon earth
With songs of sadness and of mirth
That they might touch the hearts of men
And bring them back to heaven again."

Mr. Brayton resigned as Supervisor of Art in the schools of this Union after the completion of five years with us. He left to enter another field of activity.

Mrs. Margery Grier took over this department at the opening of school in September. The excellence of her work is apparent. She submits the following:

ART REPORT

It is my endeavor to have everyone know that art is not for a favored few but for all. Drawing, painting,

and design in the class room are not the only art activities. Individuals are expressing themselves artistically when they dress well, arrange their homes attractively, contribute to the esthetic phase of civic improvement, or appreciate the work of masters in design, painting, and sculpture. Art is more than mere handwork. Real art experience comes with self expression whether it is in the kitchen, in the arrangement of a bouquet of flowers, or on a canvas.

Art in the elementary school stresses the creative principle as the most constructive in child education. The children are given the satisfaction of making something they themselves have thought of, for which they feel responsible, and will carry through to completion. Drawing, construction, and appreciation are taught in the grades through guidance, encouragement, emphasis, and help.

In the junior high school the creative principle gives way to one of concrete endeavor. Here the pupil is definitely more interested in specialized art activities. Commercial and industrial art work takes the place of creative illustration. Posters, lettering, design, and perspective are various projects entered into by the junior high school.

Art in the senior high school is elective and, consequently, highly specialized. Pupils are given their choice in one of three specific fields: General, Industrial, or Commercial. General art includes figure drawing, color, landscape, portraiture, and composition. Industrial art: Design, color combination, and illustration work: Commercial art, advertising, lettering, poster work, illustration of books, etc. The classes are much limited in time but accomplish a surprising amount of good work. Self-expression on the pupils' part is the ever-present aim.

ADULT CIVIC EDUCATION

This department is continued with Miss Rita Ramos succeeding Miss Rose Roderick who resigned last Spring.

One may become a citizen by the process of naturalization or by inheritance. One may be what is termed a good citizen however only by purposeful endeavor. There is an attitude of helpfulness and a sincerity of purpose in these classes which should be characteristic of all good

citizens. Miss Ramos submits the following report:

The Adult Civic Education classes meet four nights a week from 7 to 9 P. M. We have 2 classes, Intermediates and Beginners (literate and illiterate.) In these classes, we try to teach reading, writing and language structure. Most aliens have enough knowledge of the English language to make themselves understood, consequently, we teach language structure through a system of 30 Syntactical patterns in Basic English to organize the smattering of English that they have already acquired. This takes care of the adult beginners' immediate need for a useable vocabulary and his fundamental need for a sound framework on which to build a larger knowledge of the English language. In addition to reading and writing, both necessary requirements for citizenship, we teach the basic laws on which this government is founded, as well as a little American history. All this aids the learner to pass his naturalization examination as well as to instill the ideals and principles of the good American citizen.

These foreign-born people have never had the opportunity for education that all the younger generations have enjoyed in this country. That is why they are to be admired, when tired after working all day, they brave the wind and weather to come to school at night. However, it must be that the ultimate goal of citizenship is worth the effort, for then they can take their place in society and say, "I am a citizen of the U. S. A."

Statistical report from January 1944 through December, 1944:

Total enrollment—January to June

Intermediates—11 (6 dropped)

Average attendance 4

Beginners—19 (2 dropped)

Average attendance 13

Total Enrollment—September through December

Intermediates—11

Average attendance 8

Beginners—12 (1 dropped)

Average attendance 6

Standing in regard to Citizenship:

3 admitted to citizenship on December 15, 1944

15 waiting for the 2-year interval between first and second papers to be completed before filing second papers.

2 filed second papers and waiting to be called for naturalization examination.
1 completed first papers this year.
2 in process of filing first papers.

HEALTH

It is the purpose of the school health program to detect physical disability or disease and cooperate to the end that these conditions may be corrected. Our program is one of education. It is our work to strive to prevent rather than to cure.

Good educational results can be obtained only in case the individual is in good physical condition. It is also true that individual fitness can not be maintained unless the health of the community is what it should be. The school physicians, school nurse, and lunch services as well as teachers of health and hygiene are trying to cooperate with the homes to make the condition of good health a possession of every child.

We are fortunate to have two school physicians who are giving their full cooperation to the health needs of the schools. Dr. D'Elia succeeds Dr. Rowley who has entered military service. Dr. Nickerson continues to serve the first six grades. They report below:

Report of John P. Nickerson, M.D.

We feel that there has been an improvement in the general health and freedom from severe epidemic disease. For the first time the clothing has been removed from the chest in order that a more thorough and painstaking examination might be made. Just ten years ago a check up revealed that many of our children were going to school with a very small portion of unnutritious breakfast. Since that report was submitted there has been a gradual improvement in the nutrition of certain pupils. The distribution of free milk was a great help. The nutritious noon lunch seems to be the deciding factor in correcting this situation.

Two fatal cases of diphtheria in one of our near by towns has served to focus public attention on preventive measures in fighting this disease. It should be remembered that the immunization as carried out in our preschool clinic is effective in 90 to 95 percent of children within three months of the last dose of toxoid. Follow up Schick

tests six months later will detect those who fail and another series should be given. It is recommended that children entering school who were immunized in infancy be given a stimulating dose of toxoid. The practice of immunizing with diphtheria toxin-antitoxin has been abandoned since it is less efficient than toxoid. We advise parents to take their children to their family physician at this time for a Schick test. He will interpret this test and advise treatment if indicated.

Arthur J. D'Elia, M.D., reports:

This year students of the seventh through twelfth grades received the usual physical examinations with special emphasis given to examination of feet and spine, and a few cases where children's blood pressure was checked. The Tuberculin Patch Test was done on all pupils and faculty this year. The health of students and faculty was found generally good. The school year, from the medical standpoint, was remarkable, due to the interest and cooperation of the children, faculty, nurses and parents.

Miss Peabody gives us the following statistics on the work of the School Nurse:

Daily visits to schools:

Schools visited—3

Office visits—135

Home visits—follow up—35

Children taken home—25

Children taken to hospital and Dr's. Office—10

Children admitted to hospital—2

Children outfitted for school—2

Inspection of heads—3

Reinspection of heads—2

Dental clinic—23 (Dr. McIntosh)

Chest clinic—2

Crippled children's clinic—1

Child Guidance clinic—1

Histories obtained for Taunton clinic—5

Assisted at physical examinations by school physicians

Weighed—grades 1-2-3-4-5-6-Special Class

Lunch room workers inspection—2

Assisted with Audiometer tests and retests

T. B. Patch Tests 130

Assisted school physician with reading of patches.

X-Ray follow ups and follow up for Chadwick Clinic
—20

Toxoid and vaccination for preschool children—June-July.

LUNCH

This service has been conducted at both the high school and the elementary school during the entire year. The two schools are operating on an entirely different plan. The high school operates on a cafeteria basis. There the individual selects whatever he chooses among the foods offered, whether it be a sandwich, milk, dessert, hot dish or any combination of dishes and he pays for what he selects.

The elementary school serves a complete meal to each pupil for the sum of fifteen cents. The meal conforms to the specifications of the federal government as to content, proteins, carbohydrates and fat and must contain some fruit, vegetable other than potato, and some protein food such as meat, eggs or fish. Each child is supposed to drink one half pint of milk. The meals are carefully prepared, palatable and well served. The menu is not known in advance and there is no choice except to bring one's lunch from home or accept what is being served for that day. A few do bring their lunches from home and may secure milk or ice cream to go with it if they wish.

The opportunity to choose was questioned at first but has not been afforded. Individual children cannot be depended upon to select a well balanced meal in every case and tastes can be cultivated so that they grow to like a variety of dishes to which they were not at first accustomed.

Much credit is due Miss Gordon and Miss Bryne who with the aid of some pupils and teachers organized and conducted the program until the end of last June. Now Mrs. Chase helps them since the patronage of this department has grown to such proportions. Miss Gordon and Miss Bryne are responsible for purchase of needed supplies and counting costs as well as receipts. Miss Gordon furnishes us with the following report:

During the year 1944, the Harwich Elementary School Lunchroom served a total of 26,149 meals. Of this number 1,735 meals were given free by the lunchroom, 196 were

paid for by the Visiting Nurse Association, 503 by the Salvation Army, 354 by the City of Boston, and 23,361 were paid for by the children and teachers of the school. As this was the first complete year of the lunchroom, the large participation by the children indicated to us its popularity.

The Visiting Nurse Association and Salvation Army have aided us by making a total of 699 meals available to children who it seemed particularly needed a hot lunch at noon. The lunch room sponsored 1,735 meals for boys and girls who gave their services in washing and wiping dishes, setting and clearing away table and a multitude of similar chores. The price of the meal has been 15c—13c for food and 2c for a half pint of milk. Additional milk at 2c has been available for those bringing their lunches. The best possible nutrition for all our children is our goal. Quantities and varieties of foods have been somewhat limited but we have tried to provide lunches with appetite appeal. The total number of 26,149 lunches served makes us feel that in some way we have succeeded.

REPAIRS—Elementary

Alterations in the basement of the old high school building have added much needed space and light as well as extra toilet facilities for the pupils of that school. The east side of the building was shingled during the summer and a new ceiling was installed in the room occupied by the third grade. The walls of that room and the walls and ceiling of a room used by the first grade were painted.

In the elementary building the corridors on the first and second floors and the walls and ceiling of the west classroom on the first floor were newly painted.

Great loss was caused by the hurricane which destroyed most of the large trees in the grove and yard surrounding the old high school building. This same storm razed the flag pole and caused some damage to the roof, cupola and windows of this building.

I hope it may be possible to secure some equipment for the play ground during the coming year. The slide, which was made in the school shop, has given wonderful service. One hundred and ninety children in our first six grades need something to do and something to use during recreation periods. A merry-go-round, swings, etc. would

be of great help and benefit to all. May we not invest a few dollars per child for that purpose?

REPAIRS—High School

The east side of the high school building has received additional waterproofing service from the Hopkins Company of Falmouth. At the time of writing this report it seems that his work has accomplished its purpose as we have had several storms with no reported leaks on that side. Mr. Hopkins made some minor repairs on slate roof, copper flashings, gravel roof, etc., as were needed in the nature of upkeep.

Mr. Drake and Mr. Halligan gave the building maintenance care such as cleaning and sanding, also re-finished floors in cafeteria and office and did some interior painting in showers, toilets and some classrooms. They also constructed and set a row of cement posts along the driveway affording protection to the lawn. Considerable salvage work in the grove has been done by them. They have cleared up hurricane damage as well as other fallen or ill shaped trees. In consequence we have obtained a pile of needed fuel while improving the grounds. They have been most helpful in laying drains connecting water ducts to the main drain tile.

ATTENDANCE

Mr. Charles Smith has discharged the duties of Supervisor of Attendance since the resignation of Mr. Victor S. Ryder effective September first. Mr. Smith reports that attendance at the present time is reasonably satisfactory. During the fall there have been some absences due to labor conditions during cranberry harvest and later due to the hurricane. There have been a few cases where children have been found too ill to remain in school. Parents are notified by telephone if possible in order that they may remove and care for such children. If parents cannot be reached, either the School Nurse or the Supervisor of Attendance has taken the children home. This serves the double purpose of aiding the one afflicted and protecting others from exposure to a contagious disease. In any event it is important to make certain that there is some responsible person at home on arrival of the child.

There has been but one case of absence due to destitution this fall. Shoes, rubbers and ski pants were furnished through the assistance of the nurse and welfare department. Absence without cause is on the decline. Children are aware that they will soon be missed and expect an early call from the Supervisor of Attendance.

In conclusion let me express the appreciation of the entire school organization for such assistance and encouragement we have received during the year. We have endeavored to do our best in these difficult days to help the boys and girls of Harwich in their growth to strong and useful citizenship. All should recognize that home is the greatest influence in a young person's life. It would be a sad day for all of us if the time ever comes when social forces outside the home are delegated to assume major responsibility for health, recreation, morals or civic concepts of children. Teachers strive to aid, stimulate, and instruct. Parents cannot safely leave it all to any or all agencies outside the home. Let us all work together with one aim in view and that to develop a stronger tomorrow.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. PRATT,
Superintendent of Schools.

SCHOOL CENSUS

October 1, 1944

	Boys	Girls
Five years or over and under seven	29	37
Seven years or over and under sixteen	145	140
	174	177

DISTRIBUTION OF ABOVE MINORS

In public school membership:

Five years or over and under seven	42
Seven years or over and under sixteen	273

In private school membership:

Five years or over and under seven	0
Seven years or over and under sixteen	2

In vocational school membership:

Seven years or over and under sixteen	1
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Not enrolled in any school:

Five years or over and under sixteen	24
Seven years or over and under sixteen	29

Total 351

**TABULAR STATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP
BY GRADES AS OF OCTOBER, 1934-1944**

Grade	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944
1	46	33	38	46	47	41	50	35	26	32	31
2	46	35	38	46	47	41	50	35	26	32	31
3	57	50	34	38	42	48	41	47	29	31	32
4	52	57	46	33	37	41	49	41	43	27	26
5	57	52	59	41	34	36	39	45	35	36	27
6	63	55	58	58	45	30	35	34	42	32	31
7	45	62	46	35	60	53	35	34	28	36	34
8	47	36	47	51	37	47	50	28	28	23	33
9	34	43	33	43	39	40	39	45	25	25	19
10	33	30	32	26	41	35	28	27	32	18	24
11	17	28	23	27	29	37	34	23	26	22	14
12	17	13	21	20	26	23	34	32	17	18	20
P. G.	1	2		3	2		2		1		
Special				9	6	10	7	11	9	4	13
	515	507	478	477	495	488	483	438	378	336	349
7-12	194	214	202	205	234	235	222	189	157	142	144
1-6 & Spec.	321	293	276	272	261	253	261	249	221	194	205

MEMBERSHIP BY GRADES

October 1, 1944

	Boys	Girls	Total
2	19	26	45
2	15	16	31
3	16	16	32
4	15	11	26
5	15	12	27
6	16	15	31
Special	9	4	13
.... .			205
7	19	15	34
8	16	17	33
9	9	10	19
10	11	13	24
11	8	6	14
12	8	12	20
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.... .			349

BROOKS MEDAL WINNERS

1944

High School:

Rita F. Ramos (Grade 12)

Junior High School:

Lorraine A. Brown (Grade 8)

Center Elementary:

Shirley Ann Bevans (Grade 6)

Center Primary:

Judith Marcia Holmes (Grade 3)

North Harwich:

Laurent Robert Rose (Grade 6)

Jane Isabelle Teixeira (Grade 3)

HARWICH SCHOOL CALENDAR
1944—1945

September 6 to December 22, 1944	16 weeks	74 days
September 4 — Labor Day.		
September 5 — Teachers' Meeting		
9:30 A.M. — Chatham,		
October 12 — Thursday) Columbus Day		
October 13 — Friday)		
November 11 — Armistice Day		
Saturday		
November 30 — Thursday) Thanksgiving		
December 1 — Friday)		
January 1, 1945 — February 16, 1945	7 weeks	34 days
January 1 — New Years (Monday)		
February 26, 1945 — April 14, 1945	7 weeks	35 days
April 23, 1945 — June 15, 1945	8 weeks	39 days
May 30 — Memorial Day (Wednesday)		
Elementary	38 weeks	182 days
High School keeps February 19, 20, 21.		3
High School	38 weeks	185 days

Graduation Dates: 1945

June 13, 1945 — Wednesday — 7:30 P.M. — Eastham
June 14, 1945 — Thursday — 8:00 P.M. — Orleans
June 15, 1945 — Friday — 2:00 P.M. — Chatham
June 15, 1945 — Friday — 8:00 P.M. — Harwich
September 3, 1945 — Labor Day.
September 4, 1945 — Teachers' meeting — 9:30 A.M.
Harwich.
September 5, 1945 — Classes meet for first session.
September 5, 1945 to December 21, 1945 16 weeks

GRADUATION EXERCISES

Class of 1944

Friday Evening, June Sixteenth

Exchange Hall

Class Roll

Naomi Ruth Allen
Charles Arnold Barrett, U.S.N.
Forrest Earle Bassett
Frances Myrtle Cahoon
Marie Eleanor Doyle
Manton Crowell Eldredge, Jr.
Ronald Harold Eldridge
Horace Ray Ellis, U.S.A.
Irvin Robert Hall
James Hall
Jacqueline Mae Holmes
Cynthia Clarke Jones
Phyllis Louise Jones
Annie Theresa Kelley
Hope Meredith King
Sarah Mae LeClaire
James Godfrey Marceline, U.S.A.
Amelia Jane Nunes
Helen Weekes Ostby
Patricia Anne Ostby
Rita Frances Ramos
Katherine Vagenas

CORPS OF TEACHERS, JANUARY, 1945

Name	School	Grades	Preparation	Appointed	Experience	Dept. 1944	Salary	Home Address
Paul A. Morris	Principal, High	University of Maine	1928	22	\$2850.	Harwich	Port	
Sibyl R. Smith	Assistant, High	University of Maine	1944	2	1800.	Harwich	Port	
Scott Ellis	Assistant, High	Boston University	1942	2	1300.	Harwich	Port	
Edna C. Holmes	Assistant, High	Baypath Institute	1929	21	1650.	Harwich	Port	
Ruth S. Johnson	Assistant, High	Boston University	1943	1	1400.	Everett, Mass		
Rosemary A. Salmon	Assistant, High	Framingham Teachers' College	1944	0	1450.	Southboro, Mass.		
Hillary M. LeClaire	Assistant, High	Monson Academy	1919	29	2000.	Harwich	Port	
Ada M. Lovering	Assistant, High	Framingham Normal	1927	26	1600.	West Harwich		
Dorothy Phelps	Assistant, High	University of N. H.	1939	5	1500.	Harwich		
Eric N. Lindblade	Assistant, High	Tufts College	1944	2	1600.	So. Dennis, Mass.		
Ethalene B. Nickerson	Principal, Elem.	Johnson, Vt. Normal	1922	36	1600.	So. Dennis, Mass.		
Ada A. Bassett	Assistant, Elem.	Hyannis Teachers' College	1942	2	1300.	Harwich	Port	
Ethel M. Myshral	Assistant, Elem.	Portland Training	1925	41	1400.	Harwich	Port	
Gladys R. Crosby	Assistant, Elem.	Oberlin Normal	1944	13	1400.	Harwich		
Mary G. Taylor	Assistant, Elem.	Hyannis Teachers' College	1943	3	1400.	Hyannis		
Althea M. Chase	Assistant, Elem.	Hyannis Teachers' College	1939	5	1400.	Harwich	Port	
Gladys E. Nickerson	Assistant, Elem.	Hyannis Teachers' College	1938	12	1400.	Hyannis		
Cora D. Chase	Special Class	Hyannis Normal	1923	21	1400.	Harwich	Port	

CORPS OF TEACHERS—Continued

Name	School	Grades	Preparation	Experience	Sept. to 1944	Salary	Home Address
Rita F. Ramos*	Adult Education	Harwich High-Hyannis	1944	0	840.	Harwich	
Eleanor Anifantis*	Vocal Music	Lowell Teachers' College	1942	2	720.	Arlington, Mass.	
Margery C. Grier*	Art	Washington, U., St. Louis	1944	11	720.	Harwich Port	
Thomas Nassi*	Instrumental Music	N. E. Conservatory	1929	16	500.	Orleans	

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Adult Education
Vocal Music
Art
Instrumental Music

Betty B. Collins — September 17, 1943 to June 16, 1944 — 1 year
Norma A. Kee — November 3, 1943 to June 16, 1944 — 8 months.
Helen Peckham — September 7, 1942 to April 21, 1944 — 1 year, 8 months.
June F. James — May 10, 1943 to June 16, 1944 — 1 year, 2 months.
Emma G. Eldredge — September 5, 1939 to June 14, 1940 — and September 9, 1941 to April 14, 1944 — 3 years, 7½ mon ths.

Service Record of Teachers Listed Last Year but not Appearing Above
Clarence K. Brayton — September 5, 1938 to June 16, 1944 — 2 years.
Rose Roderick — September 14, 1942 to June 16, 1944 — 2 years.
Supervisor of Art in Towns of Harwich, Chatham, Orleans and Eastham.
Teacher of Adult Civic Education devoting .7 of her time in Harwich and .3 in Chatham. From September 1942 to March 1, 1943 this work was sponsored by the federal government. Since March 1, 1943 the towns have carried it as above.

Harwich Honor Roll

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Almedia, J. Peter	Coddington, Andrew
Almeida, Januario	Coulson, Arthur
Antone, Charles	Coulson, Wallace
Appleton, Phillip	Cowdry, B. W.
Armstrong, Robert	Crabe, Raymond
Arsenault, Oscar	Crabe, Thomas
Baker, Channing N., Jr.	Crabe, William
Baker, Joseph	Crowell, Fred
Baldwin, James	Crowell, Frederick W., Jr.
Barber, Sydney	Crowell, Robert
Barrett, Bradford L., Jr.	Cummings, Ernest
Barrett, Charles	Cummings, James A.
**Barrett, Donald	Cummings, J. David, Jr.
Barows, Frank	Cummings, Robert
Bassett, Allen	Cunningham, William
Bassett, Arthur H. L.	Curtis, Robert
Bassett, Benjamin	Dale, Irving H.
Bassett, C. Ross	DaLuze, Walter
Bassett, Donald	Davis, David
Bassett, Howard	Delling, Robert K.
Bassett, Wallace	DeMello, Peter
Bates, Bernard	Dickerson, William
Bates, Donald	Doane, Arthur P., Jr.
Bates, Robert	Doane, Edwin
Bee, Norwood	Doane, George
Borden, Perry A., Jr.	Doane, Linwood
Borden, Robert	Downey, William F.
Bradford, Herbert	Doyle, William
Buck, Dudley, Jr.	**Dreher, George Raymond
Buck, Lawrence, Jr.	Dreher, Raymond C.
Byrne, John G.	Duffie, Harold
Cahoon, Arthur S., Jr.	Dugan, David
Cahoon, Joseph A., Jr.	Egan, Thomas
Cahoon, Orville	Ellis, Arthur, Jr.
Cahoon, Oscar	Ellis, Calvin
Cashen, Ralph W., Jr.	Ellis, Charles
Cashen, Warner B.	Ellis, Edward H.
Celano, Joe	Ellis, Everett H.
Chase, Albert K., Jr.	Ellis, Janet
Chase, Courtenay	Ellis, Horace
Chase, Earl	Ellis, Howard M.
Chase, Phillip L.	Ellis, John A.
Chase, Ray	Ellis, LeRoy
Chase, Richard	Ellis, Malcolm
Chase, Roscoe, Jr.	Ellis, Robert
Chase, Sidney E.	Eldredge, Alvin
Chipman, Edward	Eldredge, Donald
Chipman, Harold	Eldredge, Frederick S.

Eldredge, Harold F.
Eldredge, Mantón, Jr.
Eldridge, Maurice M.
*Eldredge, Roy
Eldredge, Walter A.
**Eldredge, Watson B., Jr.
Eldredge, Webster U., Jr.

Farham, Eric
Farr, Frances
Farr, Maurice G.
Farrenkopf, Sterling
Fennell, Daniel
Fernandes, Joseph
Fernandez, John Stanley
Fiebelkorn, Otto
Fletcher, Russell
Fournier, Fernand
Fosdick, Oliver F.
Frost, Leo

Gardner, Irving
Gomes, Leslie
Gonsalves, Frank
Gonsalves, Fred
Galvon, Edwin
Galvin, Joseph
Gardner, Emerson
Goldman, Morris
Gomes, Henry I.
Gomes, Jesse
Grant, Edwin K., Sr.
Grant, George L.
Grayson, Raymond
Greenberg, Meyer

Hall, Alan
Hall, Albert J.
Hall, Charles A.
Hall, Donald Eugene
Hall, Charles
Hall, James
Hall, Marcus B.
Hall, Emulous, E., Jr.
Hall, Roland
Hall, William Russell
Handren, John
Hartig, Charles Stewart
Henry, Walter
Hill, Priscilla Hall
Holmes, Emerson
Homer, Lorin L.
Hopkins, Hillard, Jr.
Hunt, Warren
Hunter, Lawrence A.
Hunter, Francis T.

Ingraham, David
Johnson, Richard
Joy, Gerald F.
Joy, Stanley R.
Kanis, Harry
Keen, William
Kendrick, Edward A.
Kershaw, William 3rd

Lake, Ernest C.
Larkin, Daniel J., Jr.
Larkin, Francis B.
Larkin, James R.
Larkin, Marguerite
Lawley, Barbara
Lawley, George, Jr.
Lee, Derek A.
Lee, George
Lee, Humphrey A.
Lee, LeRoy
Lee, Lester M.
Lee, Rigby A.
Lee, Robert E.
Lee, William D.
Leighton, Leo J.
Lombard, Charles J.
Lombard, Frank
Lombard, Joseph, Jr.
Long, Benjamin E.
Long, Ralph

MacIntosh, Malcolm
Marceline, George
*Marceline, James
Matthews, Kendrick
McBreen, Andrew
McCommick, Harry
McCormack, Richard
McKenney, Dana
McKenney, Leland
McKinney, William
McRae, Wallace
**Megathlin, Robert H.
Miller, William A.
Moody, Sidney B.

Nelson, Anders
Nichols, Carmi
Nichols, Charles
Nichols, Francis
Nickerson, Clifton L.
Nickerson, Hugh
Nye, Roswell, Jr.
Nunes, Anthony S.
Nunes, Howard J.

Nunes, John
Nunes, James
Nunes, John J., Jr.
Nunes, Norman

Oles, Eugene
Orton, Edwin H.
Orton, William R., Jr.
Ostby, G. Norman., Jr.

*Paine, Robert
Palm, Howard
Palm, Leo J.
Pena, Eugene
Pena, Louis
Pena, Manuel C.
Pena, Rufus
Perry, John
Perry, Joseph C., Jr.
**Peters, Clarence Clifford
Peters, Norman
Pratt, Charles S.

Radway, Albert
Ramsey, Curtis
Raneo, John
Raneo, Wallace
Redding, Jay D.
Reynolds, Minot
Reynolds, Thelma
Robbins, Lawrence F.
Robinson, Wayne
Roderick, Bernard
Roderick, Edmund
Roderick, Edwin
Roderick, John. P.
Roderick, Lester
Roderick, Moses P.
Rogers, Palmer A.
Rose, Henry
Rose, John, Jr.
Rose, Joseph
Rose, Nathaniel
Rose, Paul J.
Rose, Raymond
Rose, Raymond M.
Rose, Snow
Rowley, Harold F.
Ryder, Almond, Jr.
**Ryder, Carlton
Ryder, Everett
Ryder, Mervin E.
Ryder, Roland
Ryder, Joshua, 2nd.

Sabin, Donald
Sabin, Howard
Saley, Ralph
Schlosser, Alois A.
Scott, Quinton
Siebenmann, Marshall, Jr.
Silva, John I.
Sisson, Randolph A.
Small, Earl L.
Small, Lawrence E.
Small, Robert
Small, Rodman
Smalley, Lucile
Sorenson, Carl
Speakman, Horace B.
Speakman, Ray
Speakman, Robert
Stalker, Donald
Stetson, Russell W., Jr.
Storer, Orville
Suhonen, Oliver
Sullivan, Howard G.
Sylver, William
St. Our, Fred
Straughn, Norman
Surprise, William
Symmes, Richard M.
Symmes, William A.

Taylor, John J.
Thayer, Robert
Thayer, Robert

Thompson, Biddle, Jr.
Thompson, Edric S.
Turney, James G.

Vagenas, William

Weekes, Stephen
White, John A.
Whitehead, Walter, Jr.
Whiteley, Robert A.
Whiteley, Walter Vernon
Whittemore, Earl
Williams, John Roger
Wiliams, William
Willson, Harold, Jr.
Winston, Eugene H., Jr.
Winston, Robert
Whitney, Cora H.

Youngren, Leo

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**dead

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